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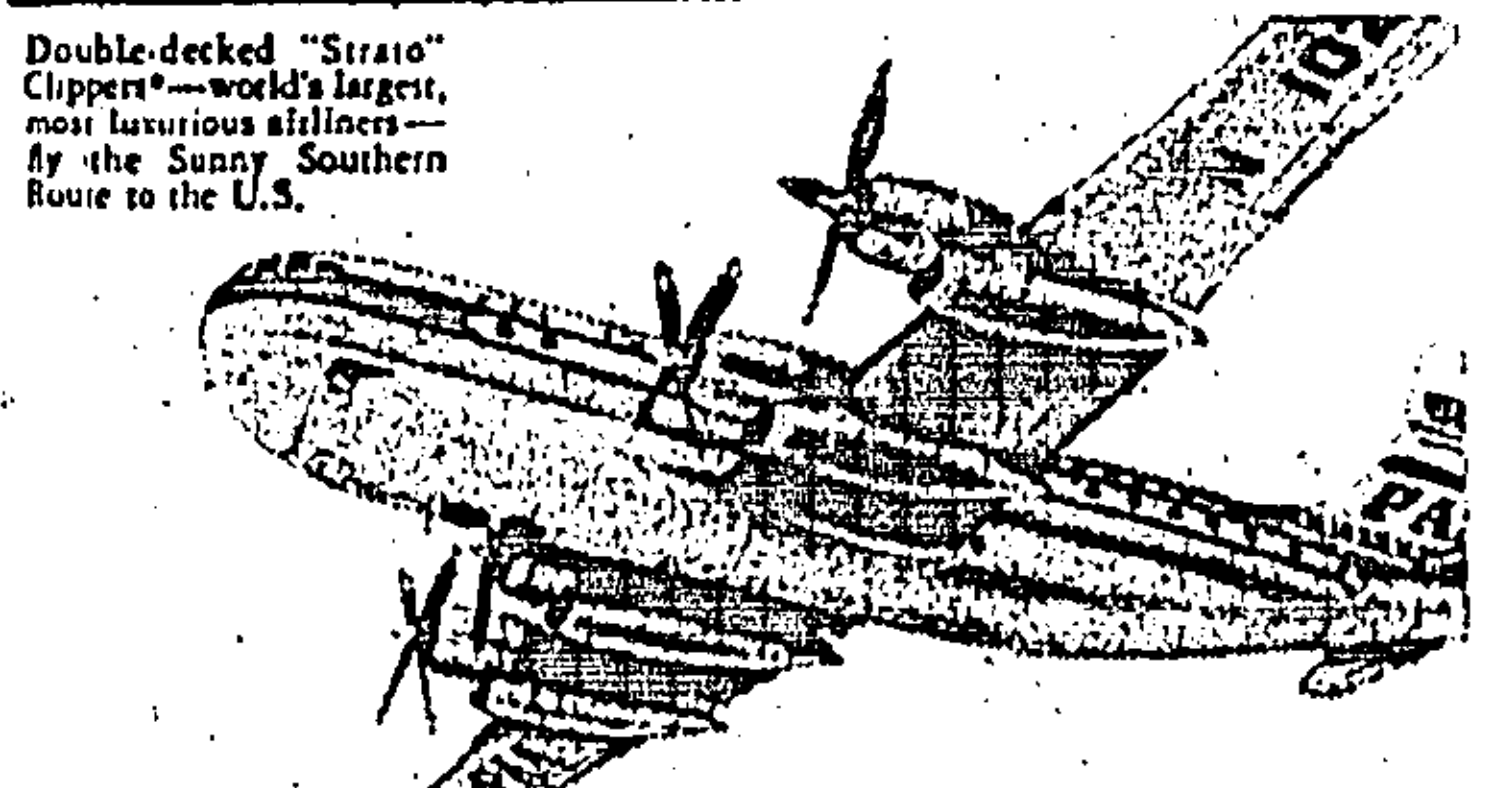
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COMMENT OF THE DAY

God Save The Queen

YESTERDAY the accession of Queen Elizabeth the Second was proclaimed throughout Britain, and today Hongkong follows the same and age-old procedure. It is fitting and proper that this historic event should be accompanied by ceremonial. Anything less would have deprived the occasion of its rightful setting and robbed Hongkong of the opportunity of ranking publicly its dutiful allegiance to our new ruler. The day, while not one of rejoicing, is one of thankfulness that the succession of the British throne is formally assured. The invocation, "Long Live the Queen" is heartfelt and meaningful. For the occasion brings assurance of the continuity of the symbol of the Crown to "Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the seas," of which Hongkong is a small, but not the less loyal segment. Hongkong seizes this moment to express allegiance to the new monarch.

THIS is also an occasion when attention is turned to the exacting responsibilities which our young Queen is embracing. Apart from the manifold State duties which become hers by inheritance and tradition, she assumes the throne only too conscious of the turbulent state of the world; fully aware of the petty international jealousies and avarice which endanger universal peace; in the knowledge also that, while a Queen, she is, in reality, a subject to the will of the people. Like the illustrious Queen Victoria, our new monarch will look to her principal advisers, particularly those who represent the nation in Parliament, for wise guidance, and of this she is assured. She also has a right to expect the supporting strength of a Commonwealth of Nations who understand the travail she is now experiencing and whose fidelity to the Crown has never weakened. The prayer which echoes throughout the vast territories over which Providence has called our new monarch to rule is: "God save the Queen; long live the Queen."



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King Lying In State In Village Church

QUEEN ELIZABETH HEADS POIGNANT PROCESSION AT SANDRINGHAM

Sandringham, Norfolk, Feb. 8.

Queen Elizabeth II tonight followed the body of her father, King George VI, from his country mansion here to the village church where he will lie in state.

Three-quarters of an hour after driving from London the young Queen joined her widowed mother in a slow procession across the moonlit grounds while a kilted pipe Major played an eerie lament.

The Duke of Edinburgh and Princess Margaret walked behind them.

Woodmen and game-keepers from the King's estate took the plain oak coffin on a wheeled bier which 15 years ago carried George V on the same solemn journey.

On trestles before the silver altar of the church, the coffin now stands, piled high with flowers.

Grenadier Guards keep a vigil round it.

Villagers and estate workers will file past it tomorrow to pay him their tribute before it is taken to London to lie in state in Westminster Hall next week.

Earlier, when the Queen arrived from London, she was met by the Queen Mother on the steps of the Royal country home.

The mother embraced her daughter without a word.

The Queen's younger sister, Princess Margaret, greeted her.

Officials and servants were drawn up in the hall.

The Queen arrived in time to see her two children, three-year-old Prince Charles and the baby Princess Anne, before their bedtime.

Many women and children who had waited at the main gate of the estate for hours shivering in a cold wind were disappointed as the Royal car drove in through another gate.

The Duke, hatless and wearing dark glasses, drove part of the way.

The Queen, dressed entirely in black, sat beside him. About four and a half miles outside Sandringham, they halted and went into the back seat while the chauffeur took over.—Reuter.

ROYALTY TO ATTEND

London, Feb. 8.

The crowned heads of at least six nations are expected to attend the state funeral of King George VI next Friday.

France will be represented by President Vincent Auriol, Prime Minister Edgar Faure and Foreign Minister Robert Schuman.

President Truman is sending Secretary of State Dean Acheson as his personal representative.

Ambassador Georgi Zarubin is considered the probable choice to take part in the rites for the Soviet Union.

Other countries will be represented by relatives of reigning Royalty or senior diplomats in the British capital.

Royal heads of state expected to pay their last homage in person include:

King Gustav VI and Queen Louise of Sweden.

King Paul of Greece.

King Haakon VII of Norway.

King Frederik IX of Denmark.

Queen Juliana of the Netherlands.

Colonel J. A. G. Valle, of Montreal, Commanding Officer of the French-speaking Canadian 2nd Battalion of the Royal 22nd Regiment.

At the Battalion's tactical headquarters, Rockingham heard Valle declare: "I do solemnly swear allegiance to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II."

Valle, in turn, heard the 14 officers of his Battalion take the same oath.

Colonel Valle took the Oath in English but many of the "Vingt Deux" officers repeated it in French.

The French Canadian officers stood stiffly at attention, wearing parkas against the cold but bareheaded for the Oath-taking ceremony.

Each officer held a Bible and used his own name.

Brigadier Rockingham said that Canada's Adjutant General had ordered the new Oath for the Canadian officers.

Divisional sources said that no other units in the Commonwealth Division would renew their Oath of Allegiance because the British Oath was to the Sovereign and his Successors.

PERSONAL OATH

Brigadier Rockingham took his personal Oath before Lieutenant-Colonel Norman Wilson-Smith, Commanding Officer of the Princess Patricia's Light Infantry and senior battalion commander of the Brigade.

Brigadier Rockingham authorized Major W. H. Bell, commanding the Royal Canadian Engineers, to swear in the officers of the scattered engineer units.

His Late Majesty was Colonel-in-Chief of the Vingt Deux and the Canadian Engineers.

Brigadier Rockingham said that he would administer the Oath tomorrow to other Canadian Regiments and tank and artillery units.

Colonel Valle, in a personal message of sympathy to the Queen Mother on behalf of the Regiment expressed "deep grief" and offered Her Majesty "most heartfelt sympathy."

The message pledged "unshaken loyalty" to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth.

Regimental officers said they hoped Queen Elizabeth would become Colonel-in-Chief of the Vingt Deux but added that there was much protocol involved in such a matter.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Bugles will sound the last post and the reveille at a main service to be held at Divisional headquarters here while over a hundred memorial services for the late King George VI will be held by units of the British Commonwealth during Sunday, February 10.

A 21-gun salute will be fired on Saturday morning, February 9, to mark the accession to the throne of Queen Elizabeth, which will be held at Divisional headquarters here while over a hundred memorial services for the late King George VI will be held by units of the British Commonwealth during Sunday, February 10.

A Buckingham Palace spokesman said only general arrangements for the funeral and the Lying-in-State of the body at Great Hall of Westminster had so far been made.—Associated Press.

SWEAR LOYALTY

Korea, Feb. 8.

Canadian officers today became the first in the British Commonwealth Division to swear individual loyalty to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Brigadier J. M. Rockingham, of Vancouver, commanding the 25th Canadian Brigade, administered the new Oath to Lieut-

Start Of Riots



Cairo crowds, armed with revolvers, carbines and sticks in an anti-British demonstration before the burning of several buildings, including the Shepheard's Hotel last week.—London Express.

West Germany's Parliament Votes For Rearmament

Bonn, Feb. 8.

West Germany's Bundestag (Lower House) voted tonight in favour of German rearmament after a two-day debate.

The Bundestag gave its conditional approval to West Germany making a contribution to Western defence by 204 votes to 156, with six abstentions.

The Social Democrats, Communist and Federalist Union Parties opposed the three parties in the Federal Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer's Government.

Among the conditions were:

The West German Government must demand "rights appropriate to the idea of the European defence community as a volunteer association of equal partners until the Federal Republic is a member of the Atlantic Pact Organisation."

The Government must obtain for the people of the Saar "their political freedom in accordance with the United Nations Charter."

The Government must not contribute to Western defence a sum so high that it might endanger the political and economic order.

Any attempt to raise the present taxation of Germany, which is already the highest in Europe, still higher would certainly endanger a German defence contribution.

Those Germans convicted or held on war crimes charges should be released, with certain exceptions.

OCCUPATION TROOPS

The Occupation regime must end and foreign troops stationed in Germany must be on exactly the same status as in any other country.

Germany must obtain complete legislative sovereignty, including the right to revoke Allied laws. All controls and unilateral limitations must be removed.

All treaties in the German-Allied treaty system must be capable of revision.

The Bundestag statement severely criticised France for "attempting to prejudice the political fate of the German population of the Saar."

After the voting, which was taken by a signed ballot, the Ministers and members of the coalition parties came up to Dr Adenauer and shook his hand.

Dr Adenauer read out his memorandum to the United States Government in July, 1950, on the defence of Germany. He was replying to allegations that he had made a binding offer of German troops for Western defence.

BORDER GUARDS SLAY BOY

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 8.

The government-owned newspaper A Noite reported today from Porto Alegre that Argentine border guards killed a Brazilian boy and wounded another by firing across the Uruguay River near San Isidro.

It said that a boy who was fishing on the Brazilian bank was wounded. When another boy came to his assistance, the guards fired again killing him.—United Press.

Explosion Kills Four

Lima, Peru, Feb. 8.

Four men were killed and five injured when the boiler of the Shangri-la Turkish bath house exploded on Thursday night.—United Press.

World Peace Hopes Better

MR TRYGVE LIE OPTIMISTIC

Paris, Feb. 8.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr Trygve Lie, said today that chances for peace were today better than they were three months ago.

Summing up his impressions of the sixth General Assembly Mr Lie told a Press conference that despite disappointments and failures "we are in a better position now to carry on the unfinished business of peace than before the Assembly began."

He added, "For the first time in three years there is an opportunity for a new start on disarmament and although I do not think that we shall get disarmament this year or next year at least we have broken the deadlock that prevented even more serious discussions and negotiations for so long."

"The fear of war in my opinion is less now than before the Assembly and certainly much less than a year ago."

KOREA FIGHTING

Asked about the Soviet delegate, Mr Jacob Malik's statement that a third World War had already started, Mr Lie said, "I don't know what information Mr Malik has."

Mr Lie underlined the "determination of the United Nations to end the fighting in Korea on honourable and reasonable terms, to seek a peaceful settlement on this and other Far Eastern questions and, at the same time, to act collectively against any further armed aggression there or anywhere else in the world."

Mr Lie said that the nations fighting against aggression in Korea would have to be consulted before any new action such as the bombing of Chinese bases was taken.

He emphasised the indispensability of the United Nations as a meeting place between the East and West.

"This Assembly has once again showed that the influence of the United Nations is always in the direction of encouraging new effort of negotiations among the Powers even though this influence is not always immediately successful," he added.—United Press.

RAF Bomber Disappears

London, Feb. 8.

A Royal Air Force bomber with a crew of seven disappeared while on a training flight over the Channel today.

Planes were today searching for it and shipping has been asked to keep watch.

The Wellington, which took off early this morning, had been bound for Southern France.—Reuter.

ENCOURAGES

Washington, Feb. 8.

American officials were encouraged tonight by the Bundestag's solid endorsement in principle of German participation in the Western defence effort.

Qualified officials noted that the 204 votes were cast in favour of participation represent an absolute majority. They said the outcome indicated that the government coalition Parties stood solidly with the Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, in the balloting despite the sometimes acrimonious debate.

They cautioned that the Bundestag vote had not cleared the way for immediate formation of a European defence community with the Bonn government as a charter member. They said organisational details had yet to be agreed upon and Bundestag endorsement was secured with a broad condition—participation, but "as a partner with full equality of rights." They conceded here that Bonn's interpretation of "equality" may yet produce many headaches before the European Army comes into being. There was general satisfaction, however, that the German Parliament was the first to go on record formally in support of the idea.—United Press.

French Taxes To Be Increased

Paris, Feb. 8.

All direct and indirect taxes in France will be increased by 10 per cent under a plan approved by the French Cabinet today.

The plan, which will raise 130,000 million francs to balance the 1952 budget, is expected to be debated in Parliament later this month.

Taxes on most food products will remain unchanged.—Reuter.

Man Throttles Leopard

Rawalpindi, Feb. 8.

Techell Takkila, a village Mosque keeper, strangled a leopard with his hands early this week to save the life of his friend, according to reports reaching here today.

The mosque keeper was sitting with his friend when a dog started to bark loudly. Investigating, they found a leopard crouched under a tree about 100 yards from them.

Before they could take cover the leopard attacked them and bit into the neck of Takkila's friend. Takkila leaped onto the beast and choked it until it collapsed and died.—Reuter.

NATO Arms To Have US Priority

Paris, Feb. 8.

The United States has agreed to give top priority to arms deliveries to the North Atlantic Army, official sources said here tonight.

A two-day meeting of the 12-nation NATO Defence Coordinating Committee was held before this decision was made, the sources said.

The 12 nations will spend between \$80,000 million and \$90,000 million on defence this year, compared with between \$50,000 million and \$60,000 million in 1951, and \$40,000 million and \$45,000 million in 1950; the same sources said.

The defence budgets of the United States, Britain and France will represent about 90 per cent of this total amount.

The United States will give full consideration to the Committee's recommendations on increasing "off-shore procurement", now running at about \$500 million a year, the sources said.

The Committee will submit a resolution to the NATO Council in Lisbon on the defence effort of each nation this year.

Before this the Committee will confer with the Chiefs of Staff of member countries to complete military aspects of their report.—Reuter.

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RADIO HONGKONG PROGRAMMES NOT AVAILABLE

Because of the sudden death of His Majesty King George VI, many last minute alterations have been made to the programmes of Radio Hongkong for the coming week, and the station has been unable to supply the usual details for this page. However, the daily programme schedule will appear throughout the week as usual. The BBC's General Overseas programmes are also not available.

Until the day following the funeral of the late King, the station will continue to broadcast programmes of a more serious nature — most of these consisting of classical or semi-classical music.

These include the talk by Gen. Sir Otto Lund, K.C.B., D.S.O., Commissioner-in-Chief of St. John's Ambulance Brigade, who is on a visit to the Colony. Tonight at 8.15 he will tell listeners something of the work of the Brigade.

In Radio Hongkong Prom Concert at 8.45 tomorrow night, the main work is Symphony No. 3 in E minor, Opus 10, by Beethoven. The Danish State Symphony Orchestra conducted by Nicola Mulk.

Moya Roe, violin, and Marielis Kierman, piano, are the recitalists at 8.15 on Thursday evening. They are playing Mozart's Sonata in G Major, K. 301.

Two works by Haydn have been chosen for the programme "Composer of the Week" (this evening at 9.30). They are Sonata No. 49 in E Flat, and Trio in C Major. The pianist is Denis Matthews, and in the Trio the pianist is Cortis, the violinist Thibaud, and the cellist Cavals.

All Football fixtures for today and tomorrow have been cancelled, and there will therefore be no football on sport over the week-end.

Request programmes normally broadcast on Saturday and Sunday will come at the usual times this week-end.

In "London Forum" at 9.30 on Monday evening, four people with great experience of broadcasting — Compton Mackenzie, the author and playwright, Mrs. Mary Agnes Hamilton, and Harold Nicholson, both one-time Governors of the BBC, and Harman Grisewood, Controller of the Third Programme — discuss whether radio should cater for the intellectual minority, taking as an example the BBC Third Programme.

Under the chairmanship of Robert McKenzie, a Canadian who is lecturing at the London School of Economics, the programme is subject to expert criticism from all angles. This is subject to discussion confirmed that the programme has more than justified its aim to provide cultural stimulation, though, like any other radio programme, it suffers from occasional faults in planning of which some are inherent in the very nature of the Third Programme and others are at least answerable.

Empire Scrap From Korea May Be Sent To Britain

Britain's metal famine may be eased by supplies of scrap sent back from Korea. Brass shell cases have already been returned, and a new scheme has been prepared to intensify collection of the war scrap.

The scheme has not yet been announced because the question of how much scrap each country gets is a matter for international agreement.

The U.S.A. have the major claim, and South Korea wants to keep some of the metal.

Britain will probably receive scrap from supplies sent by this and other Empire countries.

The War Office will be responsible for collecting the metal.

and bringing it home. They will not bother with the thousands of tons sent with food and other supplies. It would not be economical.

An official of the British Iron and Steel Corporation said: "Our ground forces in Korea are not such that we can expect a very large amount of scrap."

A second scheme being considered is to redeem textiles and return them to Britain. London Express Service.

MR MENON DID NOT HAVE CAVIARE



THE RED ARMY MEN GO TO BELGRAVIA

It was Rumania's night in the diplomatic world in London. With caviare and vodka, the Rumanian Legation celebrated their country's National Day. Several hundred guests filled two floors of their elegant building at No. 1, Belgrave Square.

The Rumanian Minister, Mr. NICOLAE CIOROIU, presided, shouldered and sturdy, and his dark and handsome wife, received their guests in a room hung with tapestry, paintings and photographs.

One photograph was of Ana Pauker, Rumania's formidable women politician. Flanking her were two large paintings of Highland cattle and sombre-eyed sheep.

—London Express Service

High Commissioner of India Krishna Menon says no thank you to caviare at the Rumanian party in London.

BRITAIN LEADS ATOM EXPORTS

Britain's atom "factory" at Harwell (Berks) has smashed all previous records in the production and export of atom-ray metals, say the Ministry of Supply.

And Brit leads the world in the export by air of these radio-active isotopes, which are being used in hospitals, factories and universities in 25 countries.

50 PER CENT UP
Nine thousand isotopes — various metals "cooked" in the Harwell atomic pile until they give off radio-active rays — were produced in 1951, 50 per cent higher than in the previous year.

Twice as many consignments as in 1950 were flown all over the world, from Israel to Brazil, Finland to Nigeria — and even to the United States, Britain's export rival.

FOUR BUFFETS

The crowd of guests had four large buffets to choose from. Each was heavily stocked with caviare, leaf cakes, vine leaves stuffed with minced meat, and cheese straws. Pockets of gold-tipped Rumanian cigarettes lay on the table.

English guests doctored a little over their Rumanian drinks. "Is this vodka?" "No, it's slivovitz." "Or perhaps it's one of those regulated drinks they have." "Anyhow, it tastes faintly of Easter oil."

begin a highly promising West End career.

The technique is said to have something of Max Bygraves' quiet, casual, button-holing style. He possesses much the same easy charm and the happy knack — as in his caricatures at cigarette addicts — of hitting off those little absurdities which are seen every day without being really noticed.

So complicated, by the way, have been the issues between the BBC and the principal unions of the entertainment world that the first direct TV link-up to viewers has only lately been laid on from London.

The 40-minute excerpt was from Cinderella, starring Derek Roy. Even the size of the invited audience — 500 (less than a third of the theatre capacity) — was limited by agreement. They included some children from orphanages.

Troubles in ancient — as distinct from modern — Egypt are dramatised in Christopher Fry's mosaic play, "The First Born, with which the Winter Garden (except for a brief Christmas season) has reopened after two years.

Any biblical play would be in marked contrast to musical, ball and musical comedy, but now that the Winter Garden is associated with the Arts Theatre Club a series of performances of interest to the discerning play-goer may be expected there.

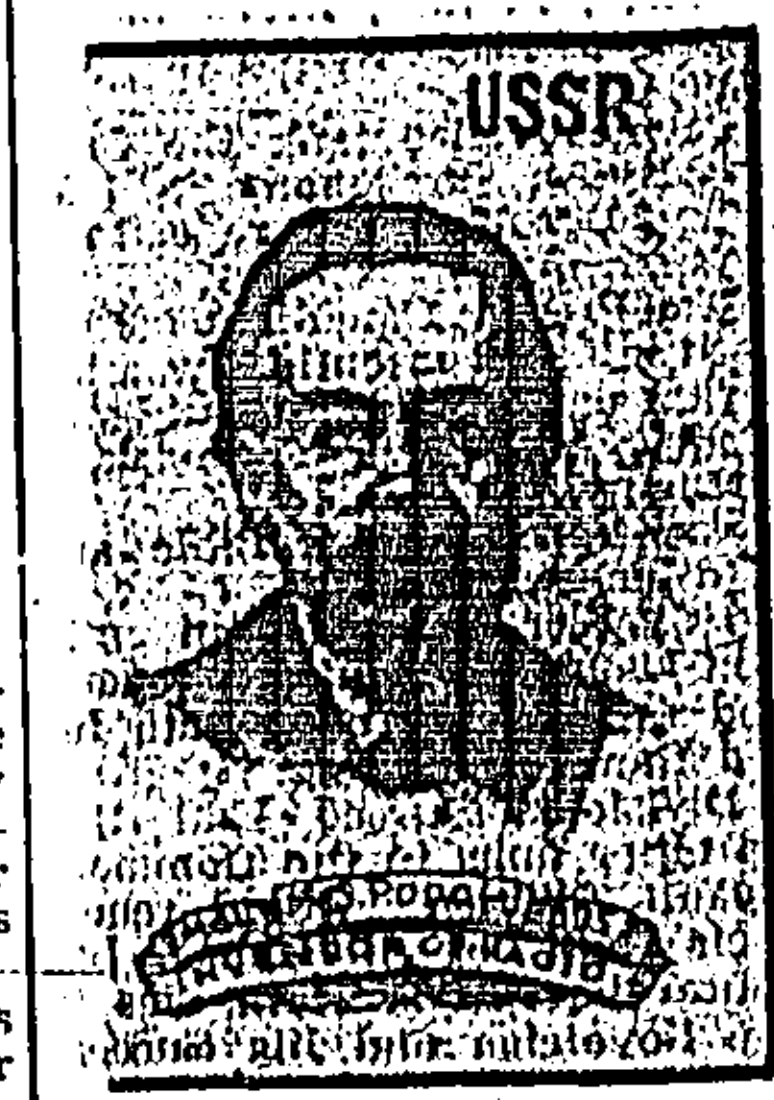
The First Born is written in Mr. Fry's impressive modern poetic style. The narrative is more suited to the subject, perhaps, than the action is to the players, but Alice Clivins, in an inspired performance, brings out the great qualities of Moses as religious and political leader of the oppressed Hebrews, while the hypocrisy of the scheming Pharaoh is well reflected by Mary Dignam.

Mr. Fry contrives the destruction of the nephew of Moses to the Egyptians, among whom he becomes a victim of the last dread plague. The reaction of this, together with the loss of his foster-brother, Pharaoh's son, is most marked on the prophet, but it is a weakness of the play that the effect of an extra-biblical development is largely lost on the audience.

Postcard From Moscow

The Russians are sending out postcards decorated with the portrait of A. S. Popov to radio amateurs in Britain. The name means little in Britain. But underneath Popov's picture the Russians print the words: Inventor of radio, May 7, 1859. This was a year before Marconi came to London to give his first public demonstrations.

In London, Mr. S.M. Eisenstein, general manager of an English



valve company, tells how he attended a lecture in Moscow in 1901.

Popov was asked for his views on newspaper reports that Marconi had spanned the Atlantic by radio. He replied that Marconi's claim was impossible; it could be done only by building a tower on each side of the Atlantic. So high that the radio waves could travel directly from top to top.

I doubt if the Russians boast about this incident in the career of the pioneer.

More Intricate

Problems posed by the public are taking longer to solve.

That is the opinion of the staffs of London's chain of 75 Citizens' Advice Bureaux, who are finding the answers to an average of 5,000 queries each week.

A headquarters official of the London Council of Social Service, who administers the Bureau, said:

"Many of the wartime problems for which the centres were originally set up, could often be quickly solved — sometimes in a matter of minutes."

"Today, we find that many of the questions submitted to us are intricate, and require much more time, thought and careful handling. Many are delicate and personal." — London Express Service.

Ushers In Togas For 'Quo Vadis'

Two squads of brawny ushers in Roman togas helped up the safety curtains at London's Ritz and Carlton cinemas — and unleashed the biggest motion picture of all time upon a far-from-unsuspecting public.

"Quo Vadis" had come to Town.

Do we have to go over its vital statistics again? All right. It was made in Rome by a Hollywood company and cost £2,500,000. It has a cast of 32-105 human beings and 688 animals — including 68 lions, 200 doves, two cheetahs, and a bull.

It lasts for two and three-quarter hours. The censor has given an X certificate because there are a lot of crunchings on the sound-track and many red stains in the sand when the lions are let loose among the Christians.

Want you obviously want to know from me is whether this travel was worth while. Did M.G.M. plus stars Robert Taylor, Peter Ustinov, Deborah Kerr, Leo Genn, and half the population of Rome) labour only to produce a mouse of a picture? Well, go on, ask me about "Quo Vadis." Am I pro Quo or con Quo?

I'm for it — and no quibble. I think everyone else who really likes films will feel the same, too. You leave your artistic standards in the cloakroom when you go to see it, though.

BALDERDASH

In parts it is pure balderdash. There are times when "Quo Vadis" pretends that it is a deep, moving sermon of simple faith — and then it seems silly.

It works itself up, with trumpet cries and cymbal clashes, to what promises to be a gigantic Roman orgy.

Deborah Kerr, the pure Christian maid, has been dolled up as a sweetmeat for that virile soldier Marcus Vinicius.

Peter Ustinov as the evil, asclevis Nero, is licking his thick lips in the background. His stutish wife, her hands clasped, is a picture of two tamed cheetahs, is snapping her teeth.

Clash-bang go the cymbals. Or come the dancing girls. And what does it look like?

Why, nothing but a rehearsal at the Muddelcombe Hippodrome of a touring company of the Spies Beggars. The girls wear everything except raincoats.

But there are other moments that are something to see. When Nero decides to set fire to Rome, it really burns. When the Christians are flung to the lions, there is a small of butchery in the air. When Buddy Bax, as the gentle Christian giant, fights a bull he really takes the horns of the animal head on, and wrestles.

SPECTACLE

These scenes you will remember as terrific spectacle, together with the lovely colour shots of the packed arena.

The acting? Well, I thought Ustinov looked too much like a caddy caddy koala bear, sickened on too much chocolate.



The full bellyhoo... screams, to portray the evil of Nero.

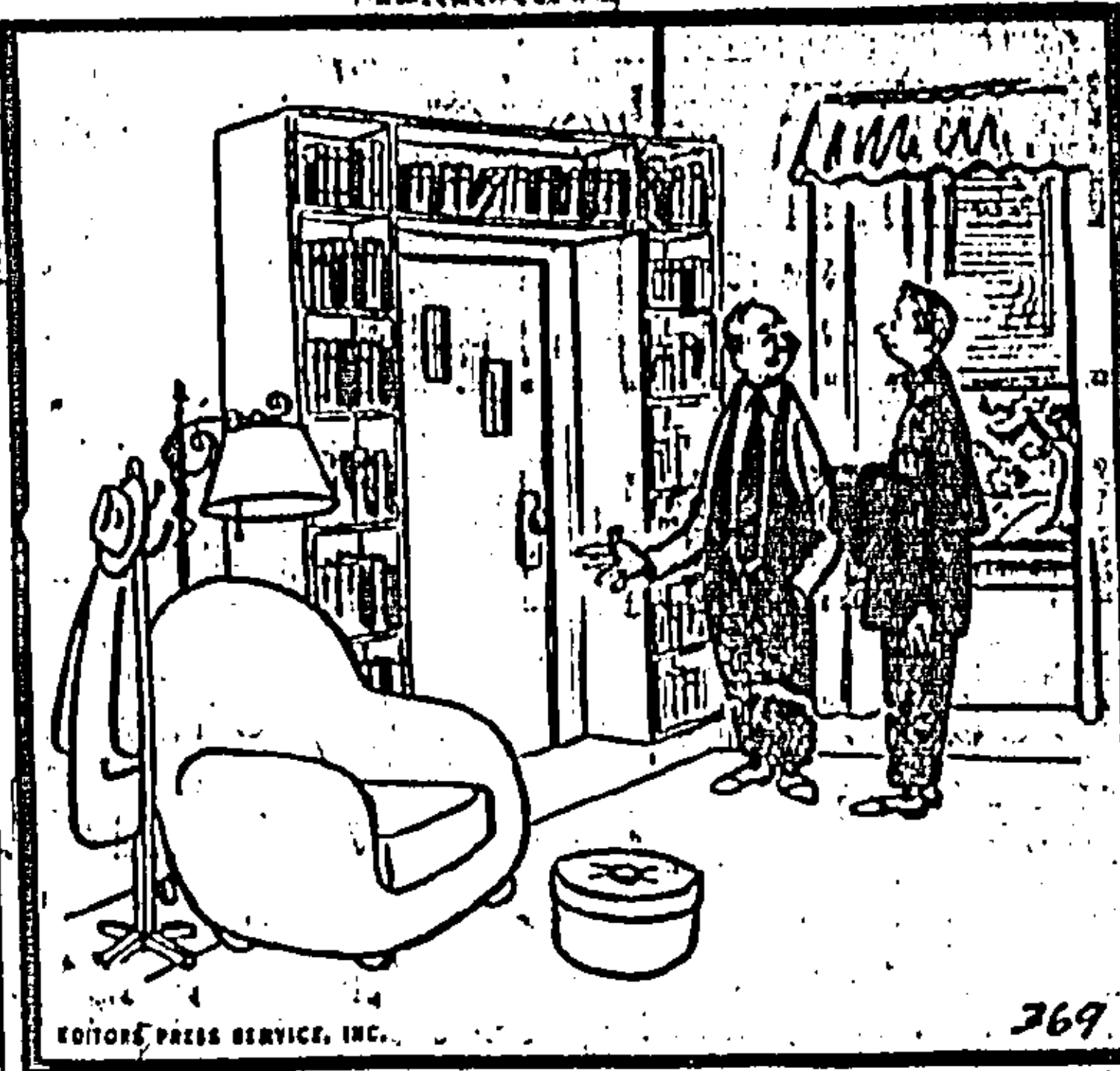
He should have looked like a monster, but seemed more like a lamb. And there were times when his final scenes smelt of ham, too.

Leo Genn played the cynical Petronius, and with lovely Italian Marina Bertl, stole the best small scene in "Quo Vadis" as he committed suicide while writing a contemptuous message to the emperor he loathed.

The message really sums up the picture too. "I don't mind what you do to the people so long as you do not bore them."

"Quo Vadis" bores when it points morals. But in its epic spectacle scenes what a picture it is — a regular earthquake!

Quo Vadis in fact QUO VADIS? — London Express Service.



"These books I've read between the time my wife says 'I'm ready' and we go."

Jean Kent Helps To Find The Killer

"This is such a rough picture," said Jean Kent as she watched Mark Stevens and John Bentley dashing through office doors, leaving a trail of scattered chairs and equally scattered fellow-actors behind them.

Stevens and Bentley — the screen's Paul Temple — were supposed to be on the track of a murderer in "The Last Hours" at Isleworth.

"MAKE IT TOUGH" "Come on, boys, make it tough," ordered director David MacDonald who has been an expert in thick-thin thrillers since his "This Man Is News" series.

The boys obliged with a spot of business involving a revolver and a desk-lamp used as a cox.

Miss Kent, her own scenes finished for the day, looked as if she would like to get in the scrap herself.

"But I'm just the girl who stands about saying, 'Oh, another murder,' she told me. There is rather more than that, however, in her role, as the young woman who helps Mr. Stevens to find that killer.

Stevens, still suffering from a sore head after a fall in a previous fight scene, has had plenty of movie scraps in Hollywood.

How do British screen tough tactics compare with the Hollywood variety? It seems we get them over quicker.

"In Hollywood they sometimes do a fight scene ten or twelve times," Stevens said. "We polished off the one you have just seen in a couple of takes."

COULD SING AND DANCE
Back in the spring of 1950 a fair-haired Scots girl named Patricia Dainton made a hit in an Elstree film of Ivor Novello's "The Dancing Years."

She could sing. She could dance, and if she had been a Hollywood discovery she would have made at least two more musicals since the Novello picture.

But, British star — building being the haphazard business it is, this has been a non-dancing year-and-a-half for Miss Dainton — far "as films were concerned."

Much of it is concerned with the effect which the faster-than-sound attempts have on the pilots' wives — played by Ann Todd and Dinah Sheridan.

—ROY NASH

New Star From "Kiss Me Kate" Chorus.

LONDON, Jan. 31.

ONE of those rare chances that turn a chorus girl into a star overnight has just come the way of "Paddy" Lerner, Wigan girl whom patrons of the London Coliseum would scarcely have noticed in the third row of dancers in Kiss Me Kate.

Miss Lerner, now only 19, must have been a Girl Scout, for she owes her break to living up to her stage career motto: Be prepared. The opportunity came when not only the American leading lady, Helena Dill (who unexpectedly lost her voice) but her understudy, Helen Jansen (in hospital with ear trouble) were unable to appear.

The second bit of bad news reached Tommy Hayes at the Coliseum not more than half an hour before the curtain, was due to rise on the next matinee performance.

As the chorus girls arrived, Paddy was asked point-blank: "Will you take the lead?" There were no volunteers — until Paddy Lerner turned up, and, to the amazement and de-

light of Mr. Hayes, replied, "Of course."

Secret of her alacrity and confidence was that, while dancing in the chorus she had done more than dream of taking the lead; she had learned the part.

A money-back offer was made to the audience, but everyone stayed to see how the new star shaped. She was word-perfect. Now she is taking not only multiple curtain calls and banks of bouquets but compliments from colleagues and management — and a contract from Jack Hylton.

A different but not less unexpected kind of stage hit has been made by Leslie Randall, who owes his debut in the Windmill's famous Revueville to his skill as compere in a television version of musical hall.

His act was seen by Mr. Van Dam, owner of the Windmill, who turns down more would-be stars than any other producer in London. He sees so many that he had forgotten having seen and rejected — Mr. Randall. Sent for instead, Randall was engaged and has

begun a highly promising West End career.

The technique is said to have something of Max Bygraves' quiet, casual, button-holing style. He possesses much the same easy charm and the happy knack — as in his caricatures at cigarette addicts — of hitting off those little absurdities which are seen every day without being really noticed.

So complicated, by the way, have been the issues between the BBC and the principal unions of the entertainment world that the first direct TV link-up to viewers has only lately been laid on from London.

The 40-minute excerpt was from Cinderella, starring Derek Roy. Even the size of the invited audience — 500 (less than a third of the theatre capacity) — was limited by agreement. They included some children from orphanages.

Troubles in ancient — as distinct from modern — Egypt are dramatised in Christopher Fry's mosaic play, "The First Born, with which the Winter

Garden (except for a brief Christmas season) has reopened after two years.

Any biblical play would be in marked contrast to musical, ball and musical comedy, but now that the Winter Garden is associated with the Arts Theatre Club a series of performances of interest to the discerning play-goer may be expected there.

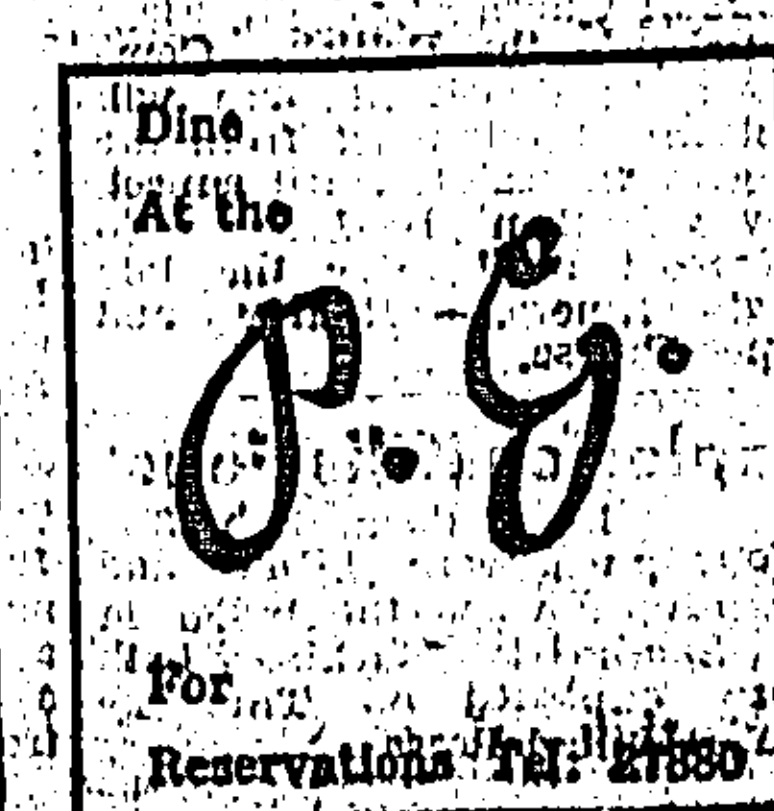
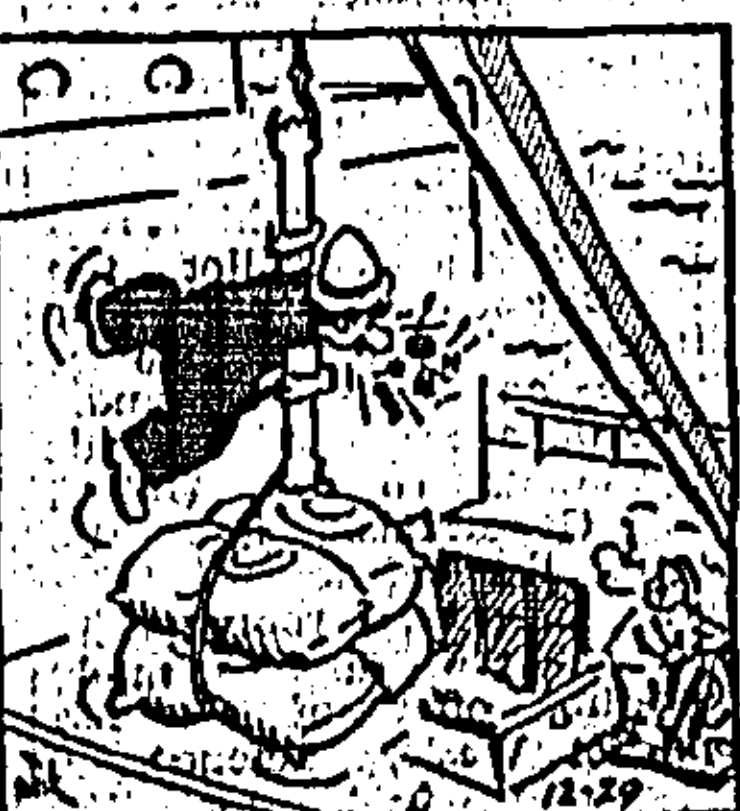
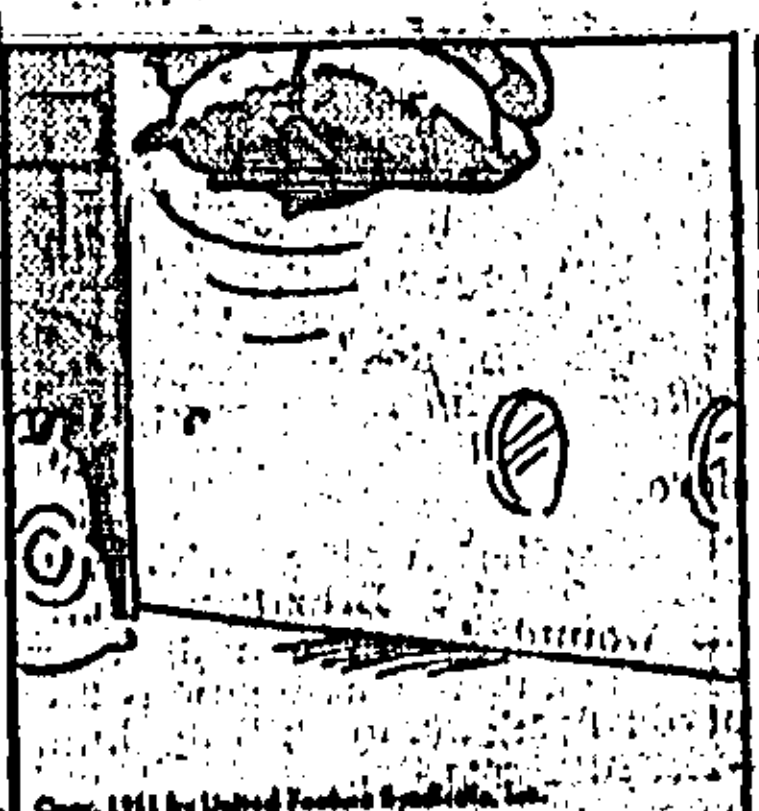
The First Born is written in Mr. Fry's impressive modern poetic style. The narrative is more suited to the subject, perhaps, than the action is to the players, but Alice Clivins, in an inspired performance, brings out the great qualities of Moses as religious and political leader of the oppressed Hebrews, while the hypocrisy of the scheming Pharaoh is well reflected by Mary Dignam.

Mr. Fry contrives the destruction of the nephew of Moses to the Egyptians, among whom he becomes a victim of the last dread plague. The reaction of this, together with the loss of his foster-brother, Pharaoh's son, is most marked on the prophet, but it is a weakness of the play that the effect of an extra-biblical development is largely lost on the audience.

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GATHERING of the McLeod Clan at the Royal Empire Society. Pictured here dancing a reel are Miss McLeod Morris and Mr John McLeod. (Express).



PRIVATE William Speakman (right), the 24-year-old soldier who won the Victoria Cross in Korea, is now home on a month's leave, and is seen here receiving his pay and allowances before going to his mother's home in Altrincham, Cheshire. (Express).



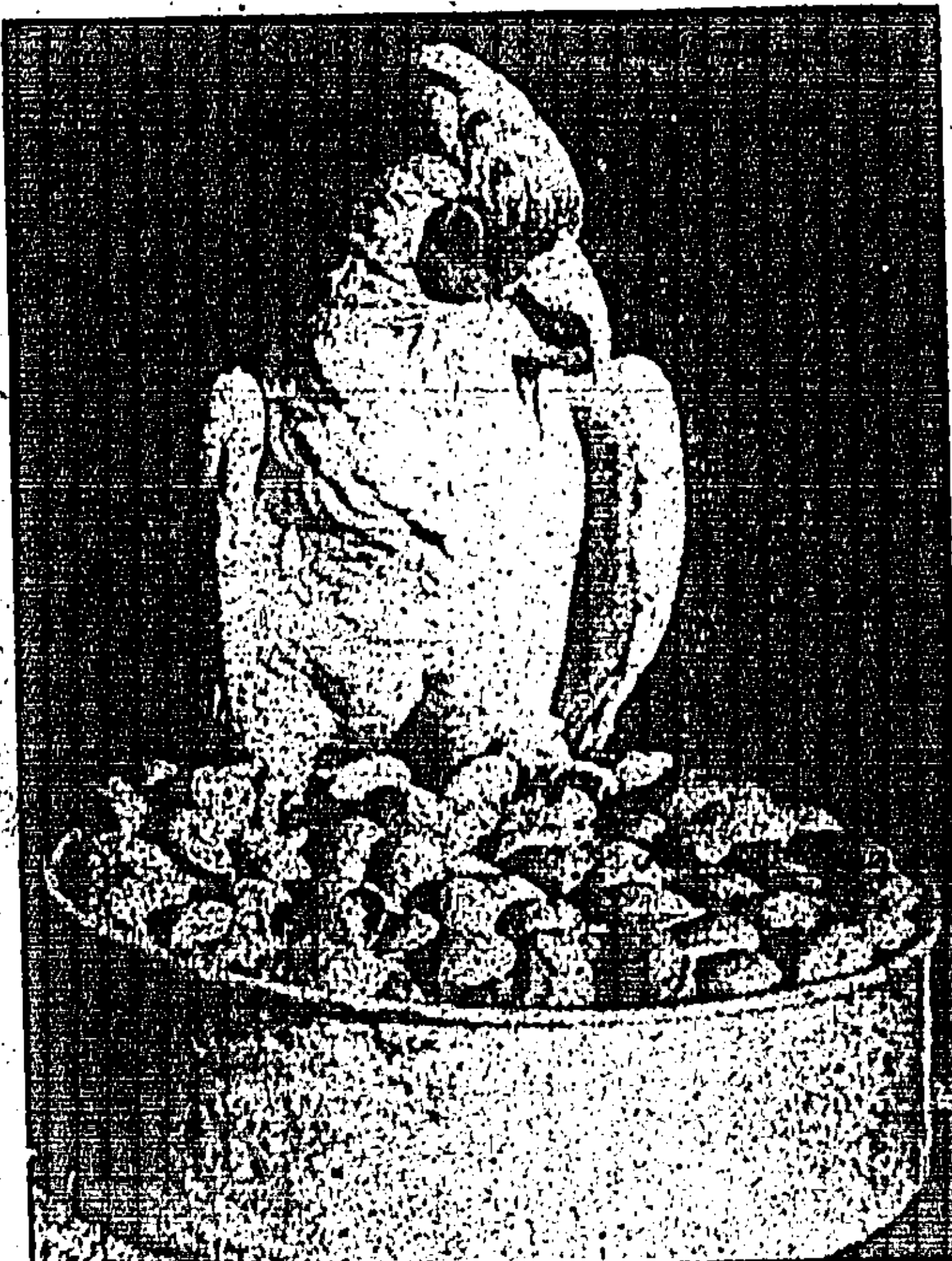
FOR the first time, 13-year-old Elizabeth Cruft will be exhibiting some of her own dogs at this year's Cruft's Dog Show in London, made famous by her great-grandfather. She is seen exercising a St Bernard and an Alsatian on snow-covered Coulsdon Common, Surrey. (Topical).



AMERICAN showman Lou Walters is in Britain looking for dancers and showgirls to appear in a night club in Miami. Among the 200 girls who have been auditioned is Terry Morley (above), 22-year-old lissome lovely from Brockley, Kent, shown on the stage of the Prince of Wales Theatre. (Reuterphoto).



THE Royal Marines maintain a School of Music in Deal, Kent, where frequent displays are given. Here is a typical scene—a line of drummers on parade. (Fox).



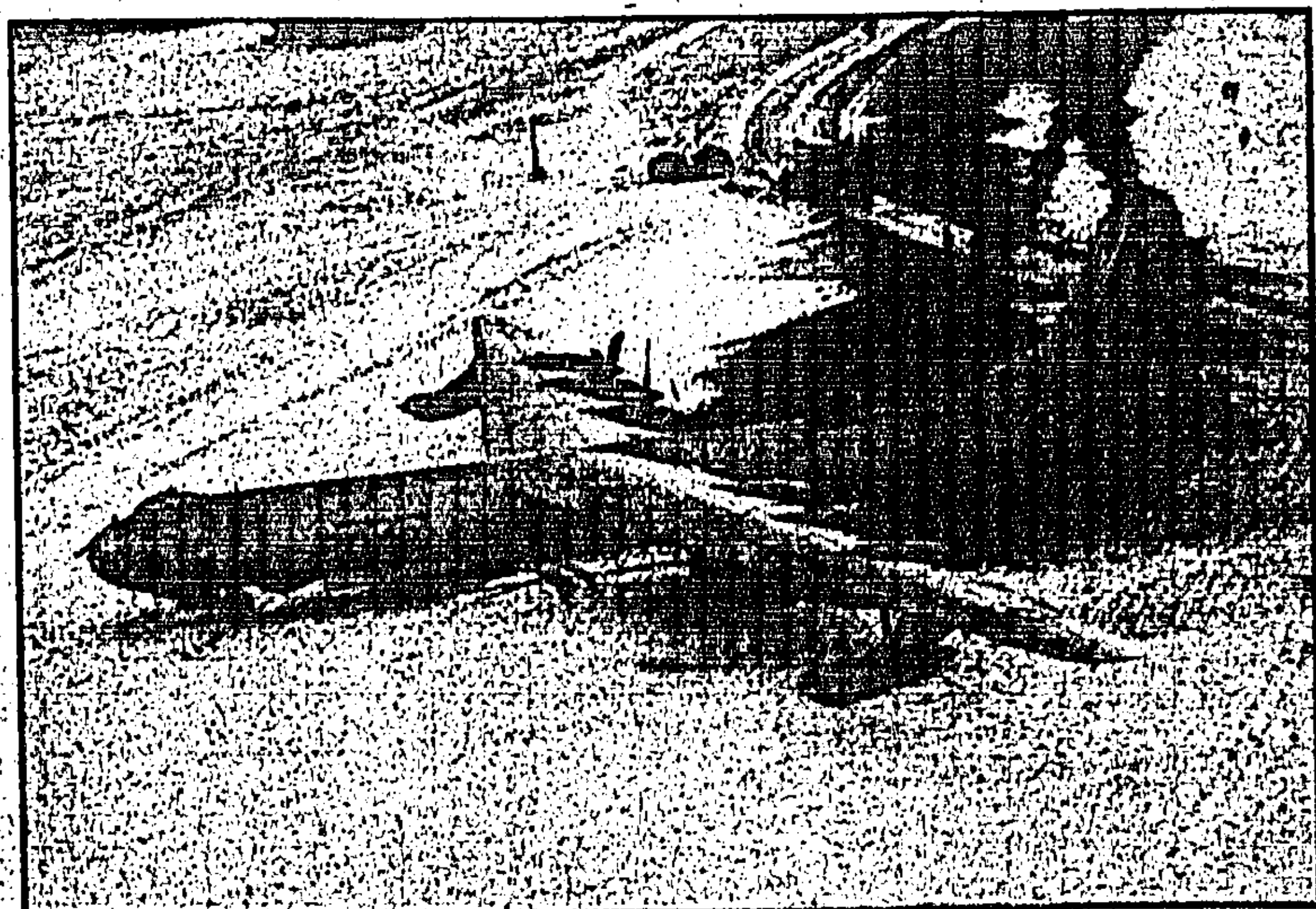
A "cake" of a hundred almond nuts brings a gleam to the eye of Old Bill, slender-billed cockatoo from Australia, on the occasion of his hundredth birthday. Old Bill arrived in the London Zoo in 1937 when he had already attained 85. (Reuterphoto).



MRS Bessie Braddock, M.P. for Liverpool Exchange, seen in Lime Grove Studios, Shepherd's Bush, rehearsing for her appearance in a show of outsize fashion models in the television programme, "About The Home". She is wearing a two-in-one dress of navy and blue rayon spun in a bright print pattern. (Reuterphoto).



TWO outstanding films—one British and the other American—had their premieres in London recently. "Quo Vadis" is the lavish U.S. production of the novel by Henry Sienkiewicz. Among those attending its premiere were Field Marshal Sir John Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, and his daughter, Una (above). Right: The Arab actress, Kerima, who stars in the Carol Reed production of Joseph Conrad's "An Outcast of The Islands," pictured at the film's opening. (Express).



THE biggest bomber in the world. This American B-36 got lost in a fog on a training flight from Texas to Britain, and force-landed 300 yards from the runway at Boscombe RAF station. This aircraft has six piston engines and four jets, and is a top secret plane designed to carry atom bombs. (Express).



CONGRATULATING each other are the four Welsh miners who recently won £75,000 in the football pools. All four—William Ford, Malcolm Pugh, Stanley Wright and Carl Calladine—intend to carry on working as usual. "Pit work gets into your blood," they said. (Express).

NANCY

Faint Chance

By Ernie Bushmiller



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Marx As A Third Party To Divorce

By Kenneth Pearson

London:

I WAS shocked—at first. Then, when I had had more time to think it over, it didn't seem so awful after all, though it looked pretty bad in print.

A judge has ruled in Los Angeles that a husband or wife has grounds for divorce if the other partner expounds the Communist ideology. In other words: If you live in the United States and discover your wife is a Red, you can leave her—legally.

That's all very well, you may say, if you are not a citizen of the United States, but anything can happen in America.

Ten years ago, perhaps even five, it was inconceivable that it could happen anywhere.

In China the principles of Confucius have been scattered before the advancing Red tide. In that country, where the family unit has in the past been bound light in conformity with ancient teachings, children have competed for the right to denounce their parents. Blood has run thinner than dogma.

Propaganda

Perhaps this American husband had heard of these betrayals. He testified that his wife repeatedly expressed preference for the Communist Party line and attended Leftish meetings whenever she could.

Of course, if every husband and wife who disagreed, on politics decided to settle their issues before a judge, divorce courts would be more than crowded.

But had the Los Angeles plaintiff agreed to stay married, what of the future?

For a start, if his wife were true to her principles, and therefore an active party member, he would have been subjected to a continued stream of propaganda.

Next, there is the question of children. Just as the Roman Catholic Church insists that children of a marriage in which one of the partners is of its faith should be brought up according to the practices of that Church, so any Communist is committed by implication to the dogmatic education of his or her children.

Would You?

Thirdly, the marriage would be "bigamous," anyway. One cannot, I believe, be married to a non-Communist and wedded to the principles of the Party at the same time. In the event of a third World War the promise "for better or worse" might be curiously interpreted. Treachery such as China suffers at the moment is an exportable commodity.

Grounds for divorce, challenging the sanctity of marriage, have so multiplied in the twentieth century that in some countries the whole social fabric is threatened. To divorce for political reasons may seem absurd. But is it?

Is it any sadder than the granting of a decree nisi recently in Britain when the grounds given were a desertion indirectly provoked by the wife's inability to cook?

No one likes to face the ultimate issue as long as it can be postponed. But one day we might find ourselves with our backs to an ideological wall.

Would YOU divorce your partner if he or she turned out to be a Communist and you weren't?

GOSSIP NOW IS ABOUT WINCHELL

From NEWELL ROGERS

NEW YORK. TABLE 50 at the Stork Club, New York's most famous and snobbish nightclub, is deserted by its permanent tenant. Deserted too, by the same tenant, is the most famous strip of newspaper space in America.

For 21 years gossip columnist Walter Winchell has filled columns four and five on page ten of the New York Daily Mirror. And similar space in more than 200 other newspapers.

Between them they provided Winchell with 40,000,000 daily readers—more than a quarter of all the people in America.

The 40,000,000 read his reports on the doings of the great, the good, the would-be great, and

those who pay Press agents to have greatness thrust upon them by getting their names into Winchell's column.

For publicity seekers, there is only one higher goal than being in Winchell's column. That is to be mentioned by Winchell in his famous 15-minute Sunday-at-9-p.m. broadcast—to an estimated 40,000,000 listeners.

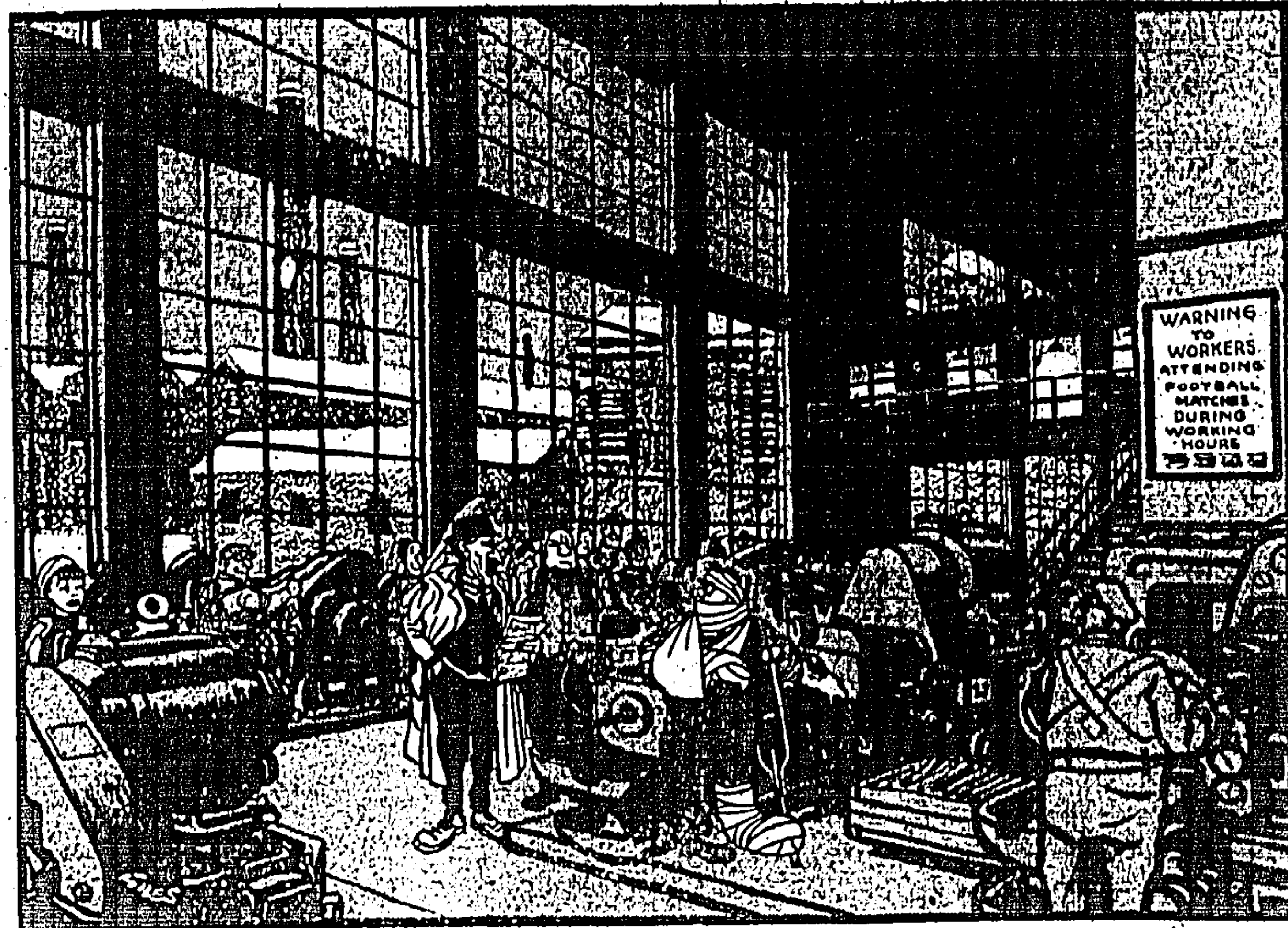
But for three weeks Winchell and his outpourings have been under fire by the New York Post.

Now he has disappeared from the scene—because of his health.

Said his doctor: "He is in bed with a mild virus. He is run down, too. But there's nothing rest will not cure."

Said Winchell, in his Miami penthouse: "There is no truth to the rumours that unfavourable publicity in any way caused this temporary retirement. I have always welcomed a fight."

Typical of the Post's waspish attitude: "One man who spent an evening at Table 50 said, 'His conversation ranged all the way from Walter to Winchell'."



"It's been reported that you went skiing instead of attending a football match on your day off." London Express Service

He gets £1,000,000 every week

By NORMAN CLIFF

THE person least excited at suddenly acquiring a fortune of over one million pounds a week is the ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Abdullah al Salim as Subah.

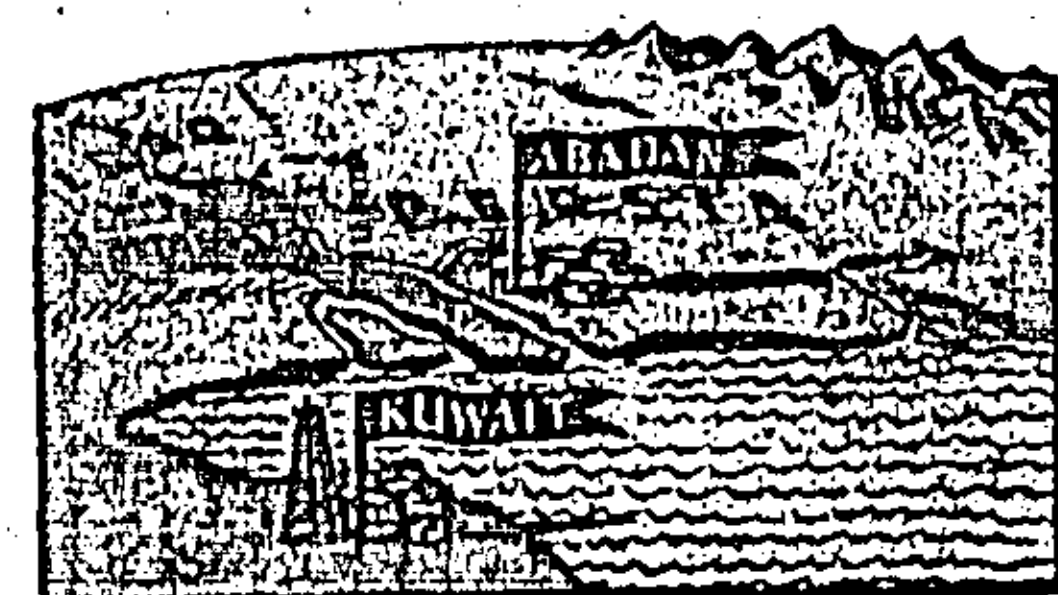
"It is the will of Allah," he says, and will not allow it to alter his simple habits.

What puzzles him is why outsiders should be so excited about it and so inquisitive about what he proposes to do with all that wealth.

"Why should newspapers inquire how I spend my money?" he asks. "I have too great a sense of delicacy to ask how newspaper owners spend theirs."

Quiet dignity marked his demeanour when he received me in the audience chamber.

—AND HIS LAND



Immediately inside the door squatted half a dozen of his personal bodyguard with rifles laid on the floor in front of them—a fierce-looking bunch in an assortment of garbs not nearly so picturesque as the operatic uniforms worn by ceremonial guards on duty at the palace gates.

The ruler, a broad-framed man with square features in which firmness and shrewdness commingled, was attired in the simplest Arab fashion.

He assured me that the riches accruing from oil royalties—a half share of the profits of the Kuwait Oil Company, an Anglo-American concern—would be utilised for the welfare of Kuwait and its people and the provision of health and educational benefits and other amenities not so far available to them.

Western influences that were considered beneficial would be welcomed and those regarded as harmful would be excluded.

The Sheikh relies on British help for the State's defence, his security force of 300 being no match for a modern parachute battalion.

"See for yourself what is happening in Kuwait," he said, retaining my hand in his and adding severely, "and write only what you see."

BOOM TOWN

WHAT I saw was a near-primitive society racing to catch up in months with centuries of progress that have passed it by.

More wealth than it knows what to do with is flowing suddenly into a community totally unprepared and transforming it overnight.

In the heart of the world's Number One boom town, where new expensive cars gleam one with their hooters and choke one with their dust, labourers work feverishly building a modern capital on the foundations of an old one. Schools for girls, as well as boys (a revolutionary step this), hospitals with first-class equipment and elaborately designed houses are springing up on all sides regardless of expense.

Contractors, merchants and get-rich-quick experts are crowding in to grab a share of the spoils.

For a gold stream is pouring into Kuwait before even the channels to contain it exist. When the State's income was only a few thousands no need was felt for any budget or financial control. That is where Colonel Chichester comes in. Into the hands of the colonel who once carried the responsibility for the North-West Frontier in India's External Affairs Ministry has fallen the task as financial adviser of helping the Sheikh to spend his fortune.

He is a man who is signing cheques until a sound financial administration can be constructed with an experienced staff to assist him.

In any case, Kuwait, with a population of about 130,000 to absorb a revenue of over £50,000,000 a year, is bound to suffer from financial indigestion.

PILING UP

UP to now the millions have been piling up in a local bank and the orthodox ruler will have to be persuaded to lay aside his religious aversion to usury if surplus riches are to be profitably invested. His capital is likely to go on swelling so long as the world's thirst for oil is unquenched.

But it will be months before tests will decide whether hopes that a vast new oilfield has been found are justified or whether the drillers have struck oil extension of the field now being tapped. Already from 6,000 square miles of sand that constitutes Kuwait liquid gold in the form of oil is gushing at the rate of well over 30,000,000 tons a year and helping to make the world independent of supplies lying idle in Mossadagh's Persia.

Six hundred and thirty British and Americans of the oil staff take pride in their air-conditioned prefabs within sight and smell of makeshift shacks that mean home to Bedouin tribesmen and their black flocks of sheep and goats.

In primitive tents bright-eyed illiterate Arab boys training to be carpenters, welders, electricians, motor mechanics and derrick hands fill exercise books with neat and intricate designs that would do credit to any British polytechnic student. Not merely oil, but rich human talent is being tapped in the deserts of Kuwait.

What will it profit this tiny sheikhdom if it gains a whole world of wealth and loses its essential Arab character? Against all the thrilling possibilities latent in free education,



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Proof of their efficiency, if proof were needed, lies in the fact that the waterproof self-winding watch is accepted today as an integral part of our modern life. Genuine advances in watch-making science come at all too rare intervals; here are two to which the entire watch industry owes a debt.

THE ROLEX "OYSTER"

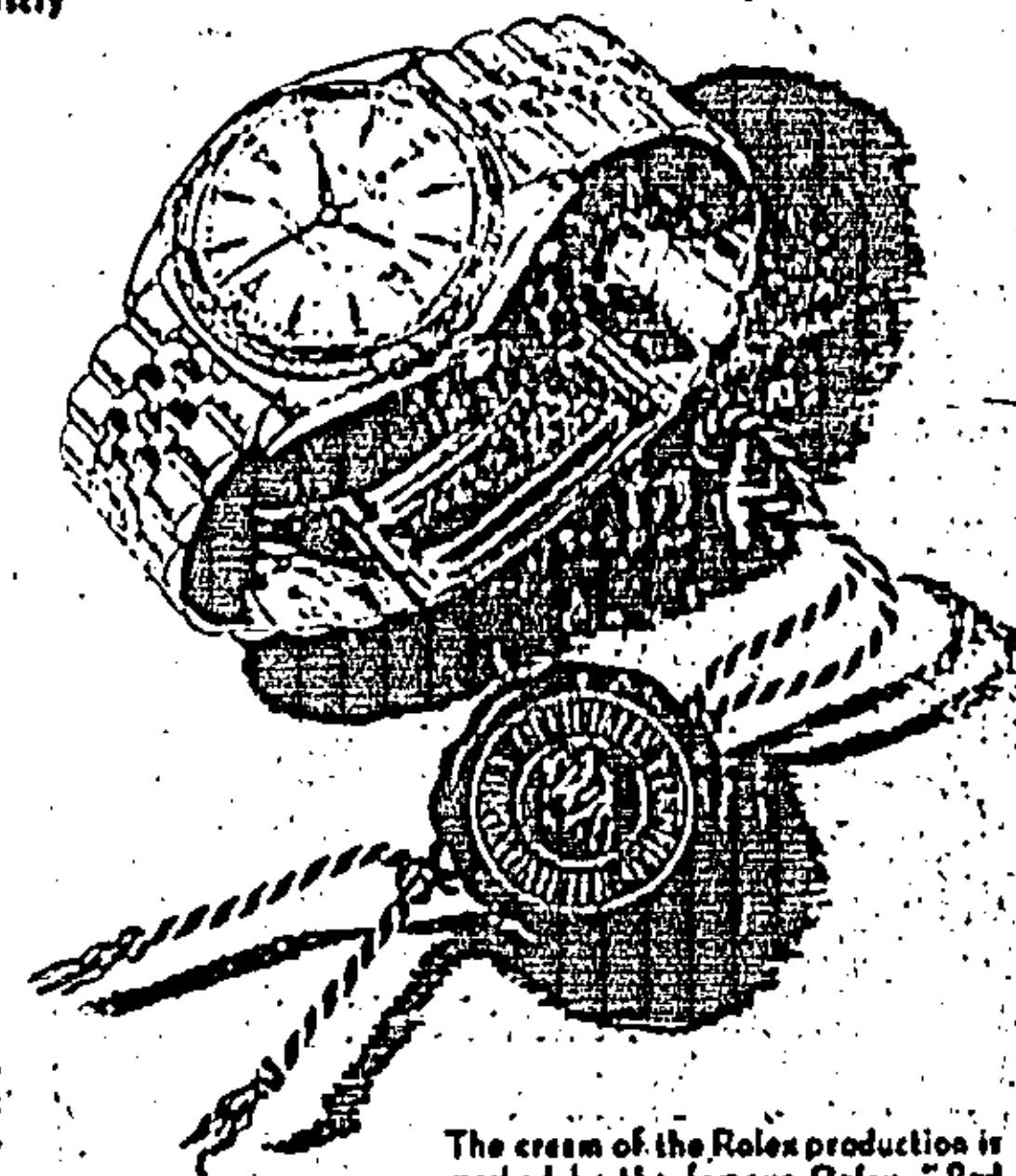
Materials of all sorts, rubber, even oil had been used in a vain attempt to make a waterproof watch. It was left to Rolex, in 1926, to discover the simple principle of the self-sealing action of one metal on another, and produce the first truly waterproof watch.

THE ROLEX "PERPETUAL"

A radical and brilliant departure from all other attempts at a self-winding watch was the secret of the success of the Rolex "Perpetual". Before, the hammer 'tick' principle was used in pocket watches, but the continual jerking of the self-winder as the wearer walked soon told on the mechanism. It was left to Rolex, in 1926, to discover the Rotor, a semi-circle of metal rotating smoothly on an axis, and produce the first self-winding wrist-watch which Rolex christened "Perpetual".

ROLEX ROLL OF HONOUR:

Autumn 1903. Launching of the first Rolex wrist-watch.
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1931. Creation of the Rolex "Perpetual" the first waterproof wrist-watch to wind itself.
1925. Launching of the Rolex Datejust, first waterproof, self-winding wrist-chronometer in which the date is shown through a small window on the face.
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September 30, 1928. Rolex achieves the highest accuracy for a 30 mm. size wrist-watch at the world-famous National Physical Laboratory, Teddington, England, with 12 points.
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The plain man's Mme. Massigli

By Drusilla Beyfus

THREE cheers. The lid, is coming off the Red bandbox and pretty women are coming out of Communist countries.

Madame Vera Bebler, the latest and loveliest Yugoslav visitor to London, is the sort of woman to take the edge off the East-West wind.

She is the wife of the Deputy Foreign Minister of Yugoslavia, an actress member of the Yugoslav State Theatre, an ex-guerrilla partisan, and has a lot in common with the great line of Danubian beauties who never ever were sensible about.

Let's have a little more of this new sort of ambassador from near the Iron Curtain.

Let's have more of the way she looks. Madams has warm, loquacious, brown eyes in place of the story silent ones bred behind the Iron Curtain.

Madame has a brown Danubian skin in a healthy state of make-up. Madams's lips have all the lipstick they deserve. She smiles we've never noticed before on guerrilla partisans.

Let's have some more of the way she dresses. She is a plain man's Massigli (the elegant lady).

at London's French Embassy. She wears smart suits from New York, high-heeled back shoes, fine nylon, and a large diamond-and-sapphire ring on her wedding finger.

Let's hear (a lot) more of the things she likes about us in the West. "In Belgrade we have nothing to touch your best West End shows. It's great to see Shakespeare so well done."

"Everyone at home will want to know what I've seen." Something she won't be able to describe, though, will be the Paris dress show openings.

"I did want to see Christian Dior's clothes. I can't afford a model myself, but I wish round to a smaller dressmaker and ask her to make me the next best."

Let's hear more of this sort of behaviour from partisans and pioneers. "One thing I'm keen on is lying late in bed."

FROM Ljuncen to Lamm, from Paulova to Pola Negri.



VERA BEBLER from Belgrade.

BLOOMSBURY TOWN

By Robert Kingsley

PICTURES BY VICTOR DREES

AS students of London university re-assemble for their Lent Term, London adds to itself the population of a fair-sized town; for the capital, one of the last in Europe to possess a university, now has one of the largest in the world.

The internal student population of London University is 23,302 (roughly equivalent to a town the size of Wind-or or Deal); a total bigger than those of Oxford (about 7,000) and Cambridge (9,788) put together. And to this number must be added 27,780 external students, who work for the University's degrees and diplomas either by studying at other institutions or by taking correspondence courses.

The grand total of London University's students, therefore, is more than 50,000—a population comparable to that of Guildford. The 23,000 internal students work in 65 colleges, schools and "institutes" with recognised teachers, which are spread all over London and its outskirts (one is as far away as Ashford, Kent).

They are instructed by 333 professors, 249 readers, and 991 recognised teachers—a total of 1,573, or one to every 15 internal students.

The hub and heart of this big organisation is in Bloomsbury, in the quiet squares under the shadow of the skyscraper-like Senate House, which is the administrative centre of the university.

Near by, in Woburn Square, in three houses, are the students'

headquarters, the offices and clubrooms of the University Union. At present 27 colleges are block members of the union; by the summer's end all colleges and, therefore, all students will be members.

President of the Union is a dark, spare-framed student of 28, named Derek Coomber, a Londoner, whose military training interrupted his studies for two years.

The President is a scientist, which is appropriate since scientists outnumber any other group of students (7,335 internal students, 10,824 external, compared to 3,906 and 4,977 reading for Arts degrees).

He reckons his presidential duties occupy him 30 hours of every week and does his best to catch up on work at weekends and late at night.

One of his vice-presidents is Miss Valerie Ball, the Olympic hope, a student at the Olympic College of Music. Another, Miss Valerie Howard, was in Spain, acting as interpreter to a national student delegation, when I called at the Union.

Says the President: "Although very few students are here under their own steam (the majority receive grants from one authority or another), I think nearly everyone has to think twice before spending money. London is an expensive place to live in."

The Union's secretary, Alan A. Tate, who comes from Redcar, Yorkshire, and is studying the history and philosophy of science at King's College, broke

in to tell me the price of student-life in London.

He lives in a hostel, pays £110 for the 30-week University year for bed and breakfast on weekdays, full board at weekends. This works out, he said, at slightly more than living in lodgings, which average £3 10s. a week in Central London, £2 10s. a week (to which must be added fares) on the outskirts. The University Lodgings Bureau has 4,000 addresses on its list.

Tate gave me some idea of the cost of courses at the University, which vary from college to college, from course to course.

A science course—at King's College costs £52 10s. a year and lasts three to four years. At Imperial College the fees are £20.

With us, as we talked, was Ruth Manley, an attractive, dark 21-year-old girl from Wellington, who is the Union's publicity officer. She is studying for an Arts degree at Westfield (women's) College, Hampstead. The fees for residence and tuition are £120 and £42 a year, respectively.

In the Union clubrooms, we met Olufemi Joloso, a tall, bespectacled Nigerian, 26 years old, who is here for a year to study geography. Joloso is an Olympic possible for his country in the 100 metres, does not find the food here troubles him in training, but he does feel the cold.

Ho got a B.A. at the College, Ibadan, Nigeria and was wearing a college blazer. This is one of five Empire University Colleges (the others are in Jamaica, the Sudan, the Gold Coast and Uganda) at which under a special scheme, students may sit for London University degrees, until the time when the colleges themselves attain university status.

Joloso is one of 1,071 Empire students attending the University (there are 954 from other countries overseas). They come from lands as diverse as Aden and Zanzibar and geographically as far apart as Barbados and Borneo.

We were taken to luncheon in the Union's Assembly Hall (a three-course meal costs about 1s. 6d.), and there the at-

mosphere was like that of an Empire conference in its off-duty hours—students of many races and colours queuing together, sharing tables and talk without apparent self-consciousness or racial cliques.

It was in the Assembly Hall that we met Sylvia Wynter, a smartly dressed girl from Jamaica, who was taking a post-graduate course in Spanish. Her home was destroyed in the recent hurricane, and at the ball in aid of the hurricane relief fund which the students are holding she had been booked to sell programmes.

The Union provides this Assembly Hall (temporary, 1914-18 war Army hut, which will ultimately be replaced by a handsome building, equipped with swimming-pool, squash courts and other amenities) and member with satisfaction.



THE GREAT MAJORITY of overseas students who go to Britain attend London University. Here a group from Nigeria, with Miss Phoebe Hayami in the centre, hold an informal discussion during a break from studies.

VALLEY OF PEACE HAS AN ARMY OF SEVEN

By Norman Lindhurst

UNLESS you are a stamp collector you may not know where Vaduz is. Vaduz—for the benefit of the thousands without stamp albums—is the capital of the tiny Principality of Lichtenstein. Why Lichtenstein is known to stamp collectors is that a third of the national budget is made up by the sale of postage stamps to collectors all over the world.

Lichtenstein lives by its stamps. If money is short then it prints a new "issue," the collectors rush to buy—and money is short no longer. It is just as simple as that.

But the stamp revenue is not the only oddity in this Principality, which is no bigger than a postage stamp itself. Here even the cows almost outnumber the people, and no one really believes it even remotely possible that war could ever touch Lichtenstein. After all, this tiny Principality has made

an international reputation for not being involved in war. The reputation dates back to 1807.

Here, in fact, is the true "Valley of Peace"—12,000 people, no more, living happily on 62 square miles of land. By now you may be wondering why there are only 12,000 people if the valley is really a peaceful one and if war, and the rumours of war, are only the slightest of grey shadows flitting somewhere beyond its borders.

NO HURLY-BURLY

The answer is that there is nothing to stop anyone becoming a citizen of this country, except that you may find it difficult to obtain work. Which is quite understandable when one realises that the whole country has no more than 22 factories employing a grand total of 100 workers.

To live in Lichtenstein you must pretty well forget the world, for here, where cows besides topping the population list—also enjoy greater prestige than many a millionaire, there is little room for the hurly-burly of the modern world.

Luxurious motor cars with the licence plates of Britain, France and other countries may purr along the right-of-way—particularly through an Alpine tunnel which takes them by way of a short cut to their summer pastures and which was built specially for them.

Sixty percent of the population here are foreigners, and, in spite of the influx of foreign wealth, there are no large landowners even by Lichtenstein's minuscule standards.

The boss of this country, Prince Franz Josef, owns only five hundred acres.

Any moderately wealthy person can establish a "retreat" in the little Principality for nothing more than the proverbial song.

The idea seems to have caught on already, for it is admitted that at least 100 foreign families have taken up residence in Lichtenstein, and Mediterranean-type villas are mushrooming on the splendid heights overlooking the capital.

LOW TAXATION

Besides its stamps, Lichtenstein collects quite a handful of money from the many foreign holding companies which have registered in the Principality. The low taxation of this country has induced the registration. Nor are directors of these companies required to be residents. It is sufficient if they appoint a Lichtensteiner as their local "representative."

Foreign millionaires often dispose of their tax worries—tax worries in Lichtenstein, that is—over a cocktail.

Suppose war should blaze into an atomic bonfire... Lichtenstein's "army" would perhaps try to keep the peace for a few hours, or at least for a few minutes.

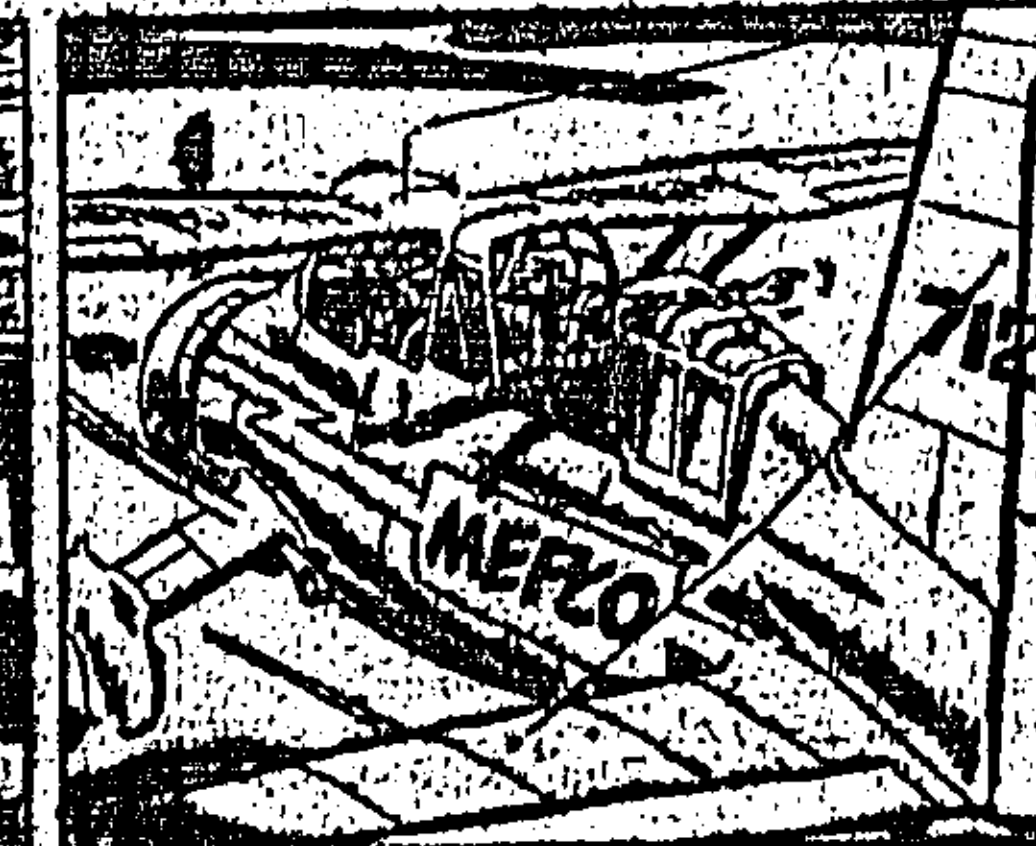
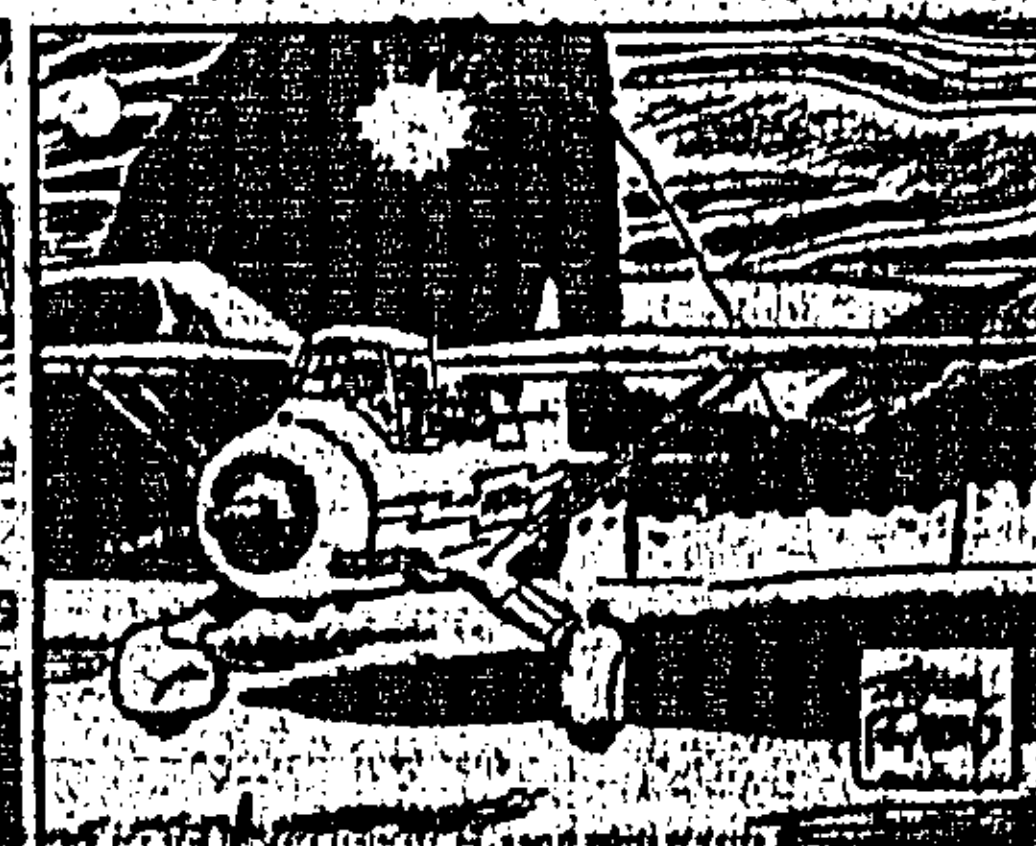
After all, seven men would not stand much chance.

THEY POUR IN THEIR THOUSANDS TO LEARN IN LONDON



JILL BLAMPIED (20), of Westfield College, a second-year classics student, whose home is in Jersey, talks with John Flater (22), a Freshman studying psychology, who comes from Farnham.

JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins



WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

PAINTING
TIPS FOR
AMATEURS

By ELEANOR ROSS

LOVELY aren't they, those slanting sunbeams of spring, as they come glinting into one's home! But how they do show up dingy interiors, frayed, soiled rugs, dirty or peeling paint jobs.

Many a girl has learned to take brush in hand and do quite a good job of freshening up walls and woodwork. Some of them latched on to the job during the last war and now that they've become expert at it, they like to keep right on. Things are easier, too, what with these new odorous paints and the rich spectrum of colours available, not to mention those easy-to-clean nylon brushes.

The canny painter consults with her paint dealer for one knows that there's a proper paint for each surface. She has on hand turpentine, putty, sandpaper, plenty of sponges, dust cloths, old newspapers to protect floors and furniture, a step-ladder, work gloves to protect her hands, and petroleum jelly to rub over hardware and light switch covers that can't be removed.

At hand should be brushes of the correct size, good brushes for a good job. A sash tool brush for cutting in around window glass and small trim is essential. Also necessary are one-inch brushes if you are going to do small furniture; a 1½-2 inch brush for interior woodwork and large furniture; a 3-6 inch brush for floors, walls and ceiling.

Clean and Smooth

Amateur decorators soon learn never to tackle a surface that isn't dry, clean and smooth. Wax, polish, grease and oil are removed from furniture by washing with a turpentine-saturated cloth, while walls get a rub-down with your favourite cleaner. Glossy surfaces should be sanded before starting the new paint job. Before starting even a small job, doors and windows should be open to insure proper ventilation.

Read directions on tin until you are familiar with them, and mix paint thoroughly.

Jacket
Costume

Gray woolen and black.

By VERA WINSTON

A JACKET, short, long or middling, offers a nice way to transform a dress into a costume or to add a bit of colour contrast. Here we have a diminutive coat ready to act as escort to a dress of herringbone weave gray woolen. The dress has a scooped-out neck and short sleeves. The full gathered skirt is topped by a curved black wool cummerbund which matches the jacket and has a small rolled collar above the one-button closing.

Household Hints

If you have helicon buttons, wash them with warm, soapy water and a soft brush, working into the carvings and intricate designs. Then put the buttons on a dress or suit and have a pair of them made into earrings.

If you prefer to boil your clothes after washing, be sure they are clean before you put them in the fresh, hot soapy water to boil for five to ten minutes. Soap, water and hang after boiling.

Your Guide to
Glamour

BY MARILYN MARSHALL

IF you can join an exercise class, I am all in favour of it. Pay your money and go three times a week, or five, or even one! When you see what some of your classmates can do to slim their measurements, you will be willing and eager to work between sessions.

An exercise that is a standby in many a gym is the old one—well known to you as a spectator, if nothing else—of hoisting the heels into the air to pump the legs vigorously from the hips in the "bicycle". It is a good exercise. There's just one drawback: you may perform it so strenuously that you expect results in proportion.

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A less spectacular exercise performed from the same starting position, shoulders down on the floor, heels high in air, legs straight, and hands braced under hips, almost guarantees results you will like: Just keep the legs straight and, very slowly, pushing hips upward with hands, lower legs overhead to touch toes to floor back of the head. Hold it for a second, then slowly return to the starting position.

This exercise forces you to use the big, lazy hip muscles, strengthens the stomach muscles, and stretches your legs. At first, you should attempt it more than three times and the increase should be easy and gradual.



An old standby—but still one of the most effective of all exercises. Here's start of the bicycle routine.

Instead of trying to increase the number of times you do the exercise quickly to prove you are not in such bad shape, aim

at increasing the reach of your toes to the floor back of your head; then, after your leg muscles have become accustomed to the stretching with toes pointed, pull your toes in and try to point them with knees straight and lower feet to floor.

You can lie on the floor (almost) for one of the most effective work-outs ever devised for trimming your mid-section: Lie full-length, on your back, on the floor, with arms stretched out on either side in line with the shoulders, legs straight down and feet together.

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From that position, draw your knees up over your stomach, then keeping knees and feet together, turn them slightly sideward and thrust legs straight down but a few inches off the floor; hold that for a second, swing legs to opposite side, draw them back up over stomach, thrust straight down to starting position, and rest. Relax all through your body. Let your spine sag into the rug, your arms go absolutely limp, your legs the same.

Relaxing after an exercise is just as important as putting the right muscles into it. Once you



Flexibility and a thick waistline are just not compatible. So Dorothy Hart shows you how to take inches off that midriff section—and keep them off!

learn how it feels to tense and relax your muscles, you can almost see the improvement in your figure with each 15 to 30 minutes' stint—and you are unlikely ever to be at the mercy of your nerves. You can always relax mechanically.

Women spend so much of their lives on high heels that leg-stretching exercise should be as routine as brushing the teeth. But, as already indicated, your legwork can be part of your main objective such as midsection slimming. In sitting on the floor, legs stretched straight out and wide apart, trunk stretched up without hunching shoulders, arms stretched overhead, you do a side bend, first to the right, then to the left, to wrench inches off your waistline. But when you become so flexible that you can reach out and grasp the toes of

one foot—without letting your shoulders go forward or your stomach protrude—you will have come close to losing any surplus inches. Flexibility and a thick waist are just not compatible. Until you pass that test, make a point of pulling back toward your instep with your toes as you lower your trunk sideward and forward.

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Another side-bender for slimming the waist is to stand erect, one leg straight out and somewhat to the side, with foot resting on a chair seat or hassock, arms stretched overhead, then to bend toward the outstretched foot. As you bend, curl the toes tightly up toward the instep (or, point the heel hard, if you prefer) so that the calf muscles stretch. You get more out of the exercise.

Woollens, Whisky & Wedgwood

By DOROTHY BARKLEY

LONDON. SOMEONE once described Britain's export trade in THREE WORDS—woollens, whisky and Wedgwood china. The export market is daily consuming bottles of "Scotch" and crates of delicate Wedgwood china of much the same colour and style as in years past.

But what of the "woollens"? Are the cardigans, for example, of the same regulation colours and styles worn by past generations? Not a bit of it. For they are subject to the whims of fashion which one season may decree long sleeves and low necklines and the next change unpredictably to exp sleeves and high necklines. In the same way, even the name "cardigans" from season to season. The "cardigans" of past generations have been re-named "sweaters" by the people of the atomic age.

So we come to the export trade in sweaters. At an export collection of cashmere sweaters styles varied from nine-button sweaters to evening sweaters with scalloped necklines; from long sleeves to three-quarter sleeves. Colours varied from apricot brandy to paradise blue; from burnt heather to avocado green.

The sensation was the "little black sweater"—which is rapidly becoming as essential to the London woman as the "little black dress" to the Parisienne. Depending on the accessories worn, it can be dressed up to fit

a multitude of different roles from a morning occasion with a suit, to an evening occasion with a full-length evening skirt.

One of the most attractive styles was the evening sweater with the off-the-shoulder neckline, edged with a hand-sewn pattern. (See illustration.) A simple style—but very flattering. It was also one of the most unusual styles; not everyone would think of buying a sweater specially for evening wear. The basic of cashmere lies in the fact that, although it is certainly warm in a cold atmosphere, it is

with gold sequin motifs at either end.

Spanish-style waistcoats, with colourful embroidery are another of those indispensable goods for setting off the little black dress or the little black sweater. With beige undergarments as the basis, the waistcoat is embroidered with all colours of the rainbow in intricate scroll patterns. (See illustration.)

SQUARE DANCING

THE popularity of square-dancing which has swept through this country like wildfire, has created a need for a completely different type of evening wear from the sophisticated little black sweater. Clothes must be bright, gay and casual to capture the right spirit. Short, swinging skirts and bright tops for women, and dungarees and gay checked shirts for men, have become the order of the evening. (See illustration centre.)

THE HAIRLINE CUT

HAIRSTYLES seem to have been left off that list of woollens, whisky and Wedgwood china, London hairstylist Riche is making quite a point of "exporting" hairstyles. Last October, he took the "Troubadour" Trim to Paris; now he is off to New York to show the "Hairline Cut"—a short, sleek style with no hair falling below the hairline. This is a style which can easily be adapted to suit the individual set and thickness of the hair. He makes a bold prediction about hairstyles, saying emphatically, "Long hair will never return." His reasons? "Life is too brisk, and money too short to cope with it."

Spanish-styled waistcoat

never over-warm in a hot atmosphere, because the wool is as fine as gossamer. To touch, it feels like a million dollars.

The wide wool scarf is another piece of woollen frippery popular at the moment, especially for evening. Some scarves in fine crepe, have dramatically fringed ends; others are handwoven. But the smartest of all are the Shetland scarves, embroidered



Cashmere evening sweater

Square-Dance costume

Serve This Ham Dish for Dinner

By ALICE DENHOFF

We offer today a variegated group of recipes, but all nicely geared to this lovely time of year when food should be colourful yet hearty. For something enticing by way of a ham dish around which to build a rice spring dinner, how about a concoction named Hamami by the clever cook who concocted it?

For 6 servings, have one large slice smoked ham 1½ inches thick. Brown the ham on both sides, then add 6 carrots cut into julienne strips, 4 tbsp. raisins, 6 thin strips of orange peel and one c. water. Cover and simmer 1½ hours. Mix 1 tsp. cornstarch with ¼ c. orange juice to a smooth consistency. Add to ham and liquid;

cook for 5 min., stirring until thickened. Should be served immediately.

For a well-reasoned, thrifty meat-rice combination, with an interest-provoking title, try Porcupine Balls, so named because as they cook the rice pokes out through the surface to give a porcupine effect.

Combine 1½ lb ground lean pork, ½ c. uncooked rice, ½ c. milk, ¼ c. chopped onion, 1 tsp. chopped green pepper, 1 tsp. chopped pimiento, 1 tsp. salt, 1 tsp. sage and ½ tsp. pepper. Form into balls and roll in flour. Brown in hot fat, place in baking pan and pour over one can tomato soup and one tin water. Mix; Cover and bake at 300 F. for 2 hours. Add more water at the end of the first hour.

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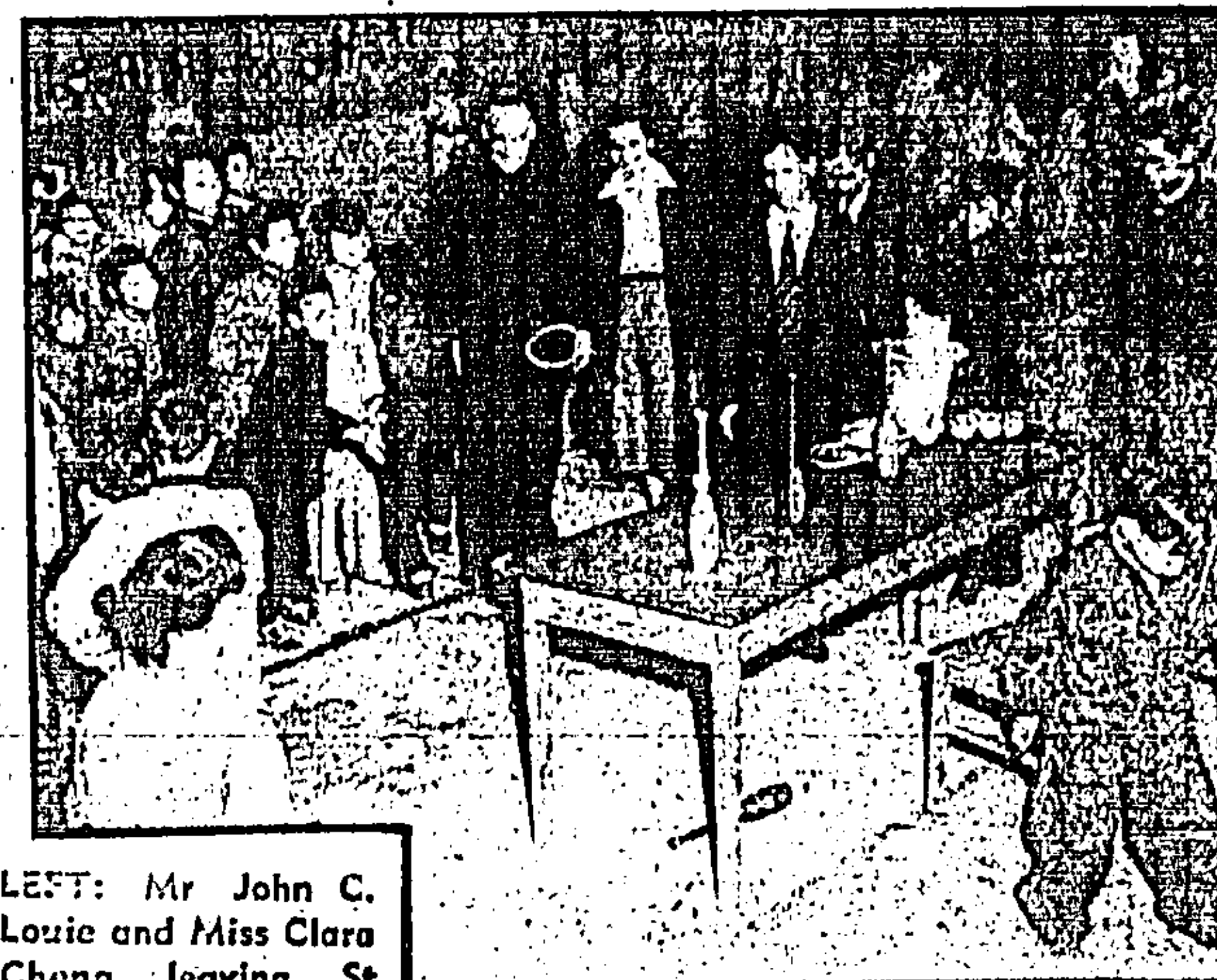
TO OWN A PARKER IS A MARK OF DISTINCTION



LEFT: Scene from the Diocesan Schools' production of the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, "The Pirates of Penzance." Performances have been postponed till after the funeral of the late King George VI. (Staff Photographer)

BELOW: Mr and Mrs Chui Khun Hung with their attendants after their wedding at the Hop Yat Church. (Mainland Studio)

THE Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Pokfulam, was the scene of a colourful society wedding last week when Dr Elizabeth Tang, Medical Officer of the Queen Mary Hospital, was married to Mr Leonard Francis Comber, Assistant Superintendent of Police of Johore. Pictures show the newlyweds immediately after the church ceremony and, later, at the reception held in the Hongkong Hotel. (Staff Photographer)



LEFT: Mr John C. Louie and Miss Clara Cheng leaving St Andrew's Church after their wedding last Saturday. (Mainland Studio)

SOME of the 500 children enjoying themselves at the party given last Saturday by the Boys and Girls Clubs Association at the Southern Playground. (Staff Photographer)



THE Commissioner-in-Chief of the St John Ambulance Brigade, Lieut-General Sir Otto Lund, pictured at Kai Tak Airport on his arrival yesterday. (Staff Photographer)



LAST Saturday morning, His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Gerard Howo, visited the Kowloon Magistracy and inspected all parts of the building. Shown are (from left) Sir Gerard, Mr J. Wicks, First Magistrate, Mr W. C. Law, Clerk of the Supreme Court, Mr O. V. Cheung, Magistrate, Mr C. D'Almada, Registrar, and Div. Supt. D. G. MacPherson. (Mainland Studio)



MR. Edward Tung Chang and Miss Florence Tong with relatives and friends after their wedding at the Registry last Saturday. The newlyweds are settling down in Hawaii. (Staff Photographer)

PETTY Officer Steward Fong Kwan, who has served in the Royal Navy since 1924, was presented with the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal on board HMS Unicorn last Sunday. He is seen here with his children and Captain J. Y. Thompson, who made the presentation. (Staff Photographer)

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PICTURE of the Staff and friends of Messrs F. E. Skinner (Hongkong) Ltd. at the company's annual dinner, held at the Cafe Wiseman.



RIGHT: Miss Betty Lux (centre of second row) photographed with friends at her sixteenth birthday party recently. (Mainland Studio)

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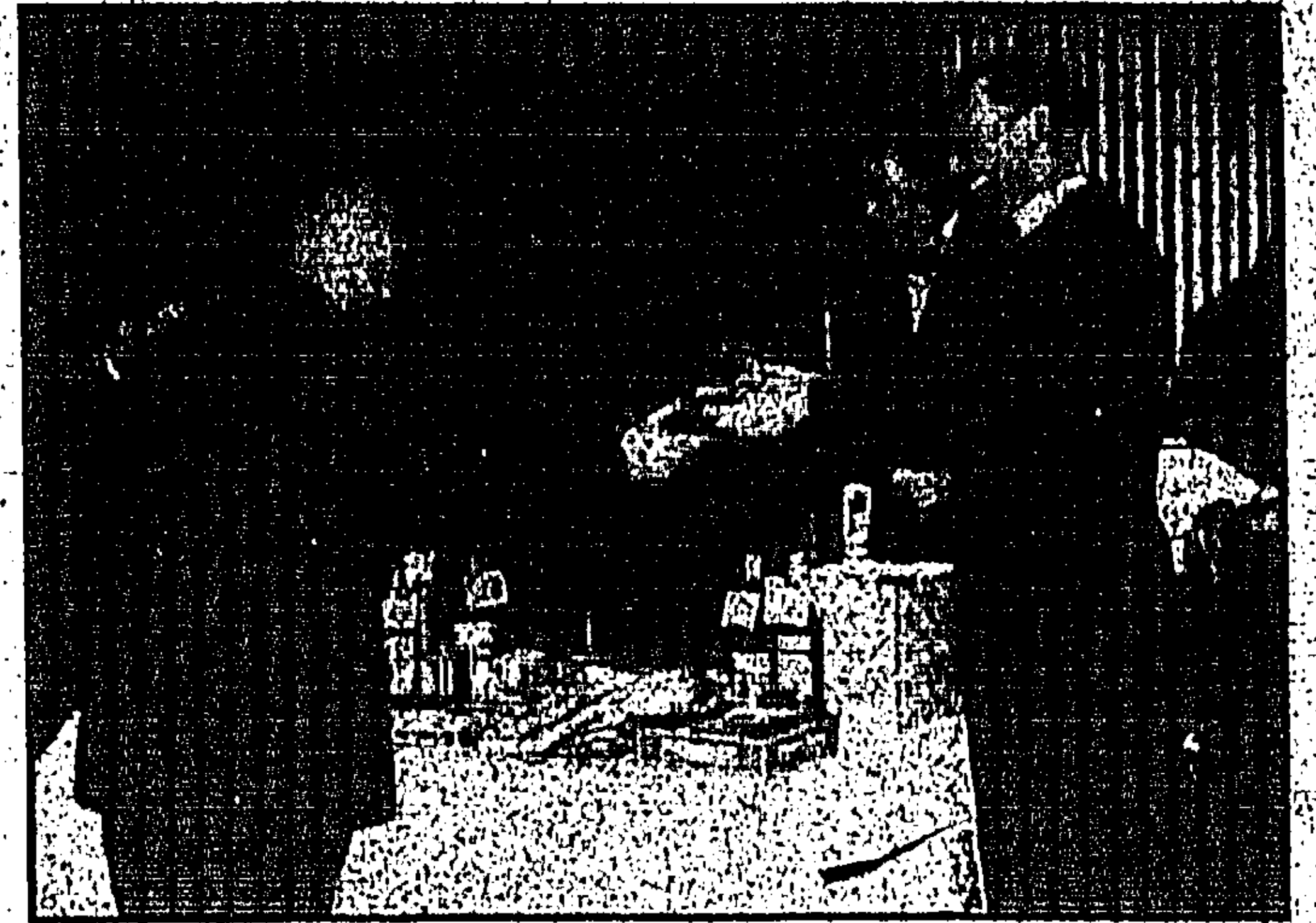




PICTURED outside the Registry of Marriages are Mr and Mrs Elie Michel Marchetti and friends after their wedding. The bride formerly was Miss Helen Panaloti. (Ming Yuen)



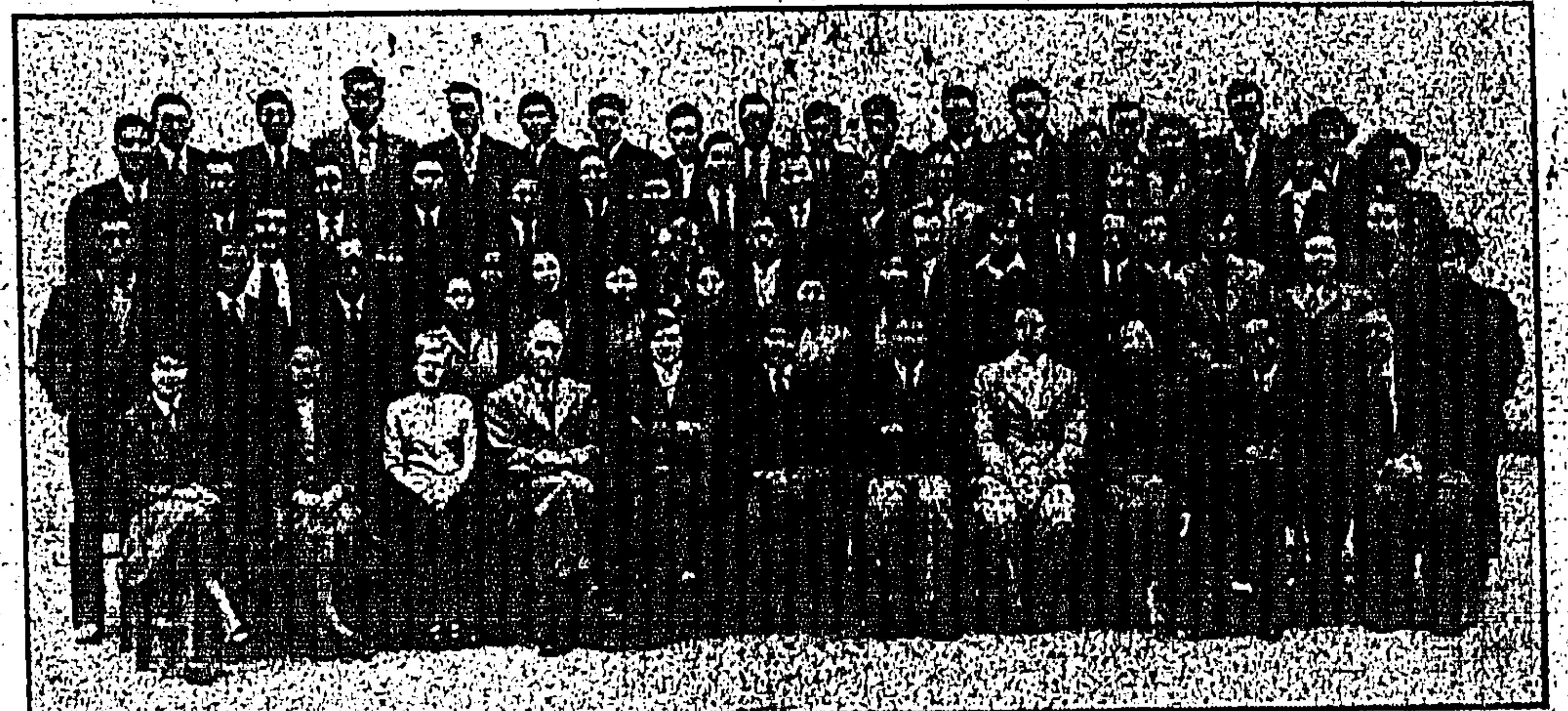
AT the cocktail party given in honour of officers of visiting Australian warships by Mr Hugh Wrigley, Australian Government Trade Commissioner. From left: Mr and Mrs L. Goldman, Mr Wrigley, Captain G. H. Harries, HMAS Sydney, Cmdr J. M. Ramsay, HMAS Warramunga, and Cmdr R. J. Peck, HMAS Tobruk. (Staff Photographer)



REV Fr J. Carroll, Rector of Wah Yan College, presenting prizes at Monday's dinner dance of the Wah Yan College Past Students' Association, held in the Hongkong Hotel. (Staff Photographer)



AN unusual feature of the wedding of Mr George Saunders and Miss Margaret Patricia Quinn-Boas was the fact that the bride was given away by her mother, Mrs M. V. Boas. The wedding took place last Saturday at St John's Cathedral. Bride and mother are seen in left-hand picture entering the Cathedral; and group above was taken after the ceremony. (Staff Photographer)



MEMBERS of the Faculty of Engineering and student members of the Hongkong University Engineering Society pose for their annual group photograph. (Ming Yuen)



RECEIVING an award of money and a letter of appreciation from the Commissioner of Police, Mr D. W. MacIntosh, is Chan Lau, a tailor, who chased and captured a robber in Shamshuipo. Altogether seven persons were similarly rewarded for their public-spiritedness and assistance to the Police at a ceremony in the Police Gymnasium on Wednesday. (Staff Photographer)



MR Patrick Noel Slater and his bride, formerly Miss Elizabeth Priscilla Bird, leaving St John's Cathedral after their wedding on Thursday. (Staff Photographer)

BELOW: Bishop Ralph Ward, who was formerly in charge of the Methodist Church in the Lower Yangtze region, addressing members of the Y's Men's Club on Thursday. He spoke on recent experiments in self-government. (Staff Photographer)



THE new offices and plant of the Wah Kiu Yat Po, leading Chinese newspaper in the Colony, were opened on Wednesday, when HE the Governor and Lady Grantham headed about 1,000 guests at a cocktail reception given by the management. Seated with the Governor and Lady Grantham here are Mr Alfred Ho, Secretary of the Company, Mr Shum Wai-yau, Managing Director, and Mrs Shum. (Staff Photographer)



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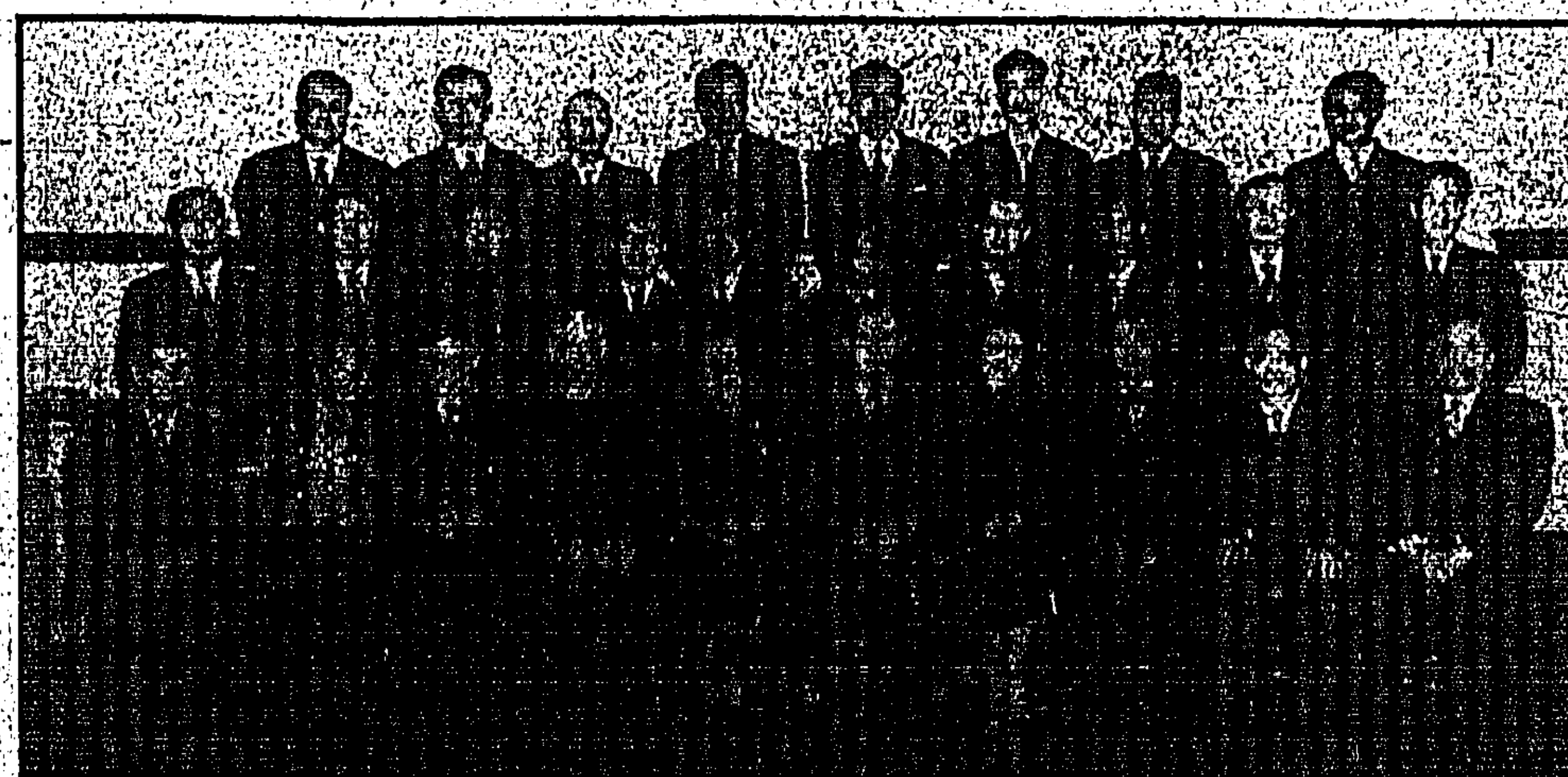
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MANAGERS and Principals of private English schools in the Colony photographed at their first meeting held in the Hongkong University Alumni Association. (Ming Yuen)

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HEADACHE WITH A PERSONALITY

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

People who have migraine headaches seem to have a typical type of personality. They are usually alert, active individuals. It is thought that perhaps an emotional disturbance may lie behind this common type of headache, at least in certain cases.

In migraine, the pain occurs only on one side of the head in most cases, and it is also interesting that those who are subject to these headaches usually have some sort of warning sign before the attack occurs. For example, they may feel depressed and irritable or restless, have poor appetite, see spots before the eyes, or feel a tingling or numbness of the arms and legs.

Signs Ahead

Soon after these signs are noted, the headache develops. It is quite severe and is often accompanied by sickness at the stomach and vomiting. Sometimes there are attacks of pain in the abdomen. The attack may last for a few hours to several days.

Unfortunately, up to the present, no one has found the real cause for migraine. It has been suggested that perhaps it is due to some disturbance of the glands of internal secretion, to defective vision, or to allergy or oversensitivity, among many other things.

In any event, during an attack there is some disturbance of the circulation of the blood vessels in the brain. Just before the attack, these blood vessels become constricted. Then they become dilated or increased in size, which causes the headache.

In treating migraine, many different drugs have been used. The one which up to the present seems to have the greatest effect in relieving the symptoms is called ergotamine. A combination of this drug with caffeine is also quite useful and seems to give marked relief when taken at the onset of an attack. The preparation is, of course, best taken by mouth under the direction of a physician in the dose which he prescribes.

Patient Should Rest

During an attack, the patient should be at rest in a quiet, darkened room. Cold applications to the head may be helpful.

Those who have migraine should have a complete physical examination made so that any disorders present in the body may be discovered and cleared up. Treatment by a psychiatrist has helped to make the attacks less frequent in certain cases.

The migraine sufferer can be helped in many instances, but he must put himself under the care of a physician and follow the treatment outlined for him.



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k knit yo yarn over
p purl ch chain
st (s) stitch (es) sc single crochet
tog together * this symbol indicates the directions immediately following are to be repeated a given number of times in addition to the original.

"Work even" means to work without increasing or decreasing, keeping established pattern.

MATERIALS: 8 balls, Aluminium Knitting Needles, 1 pair Size 1. Steel Crochet Hook, Size 0.

MEASUREMENTS OF GARMENT: At bustline buttoned, 32½ ins. Width of back at underarm 17½ ins.

GAUGE: 9 sts—1 inch. 12 rows—1 inch.

BACK: Cast on 120 sts. Work k 2, p 2 ribbing for 3½ ins. INC. ROW—Continuing ribbing, inc. 1 st in every 3rd st 38 times, finish row; 158 sts. Pattern requires a multiple of 12 plus 2 sts. PATTERN—Row 1 and every odd numbered row—P. ROW 2—right side—K 1, * k 2 tog., k 2, yo, k 1, yo, k 5 slip, k and pass *; repeat between *s across row, end k 1.

ROW 4—K 1, * k 2 tog., k 1, yo, k 3, yo, k 4, slip, k and pass *; repeat between *s across row, end k 1. ROW 6—K 1, * k 2 tog., yo, k 5, yo, k 3, slip, k and pass *; repeat between *s across row, end k 1. ROW 8—K 1, * k 2 tog., k 5, yo, k 1, yo, k 2, slip, k and pass *; repeat between *s across row, end k 1. ROW 10—K 1, * k 2 tog., k 4, yo, k 3, yo, k 1, slip, k and pass *; repeat between *s across row, end k 1. ROW 12—K 1, * k 2 tog., k 3, yo, k 5, yo, slip, k and pass *; repeat between *s across row, end k 1. Repeat last 12 rows until 8½ ins. above ribbing. Mark for underarm. Cast on 12 sts at beg. of each of next 2 rows for sleeves; 182 sts. Continue pat. until 7 ins. above marker.

SHOULDERS: Bind off 12 sts at beg. of each of next 10 rows; 13 sts at beg. of each of next 2 rows. Bind off remaining 36 sts for back of neck.

LEFT FRONT: Cast on 70 sts. ROW 1—right side—Work k 2, p 2 ribbing for 60 sts, k 9 for front band, slip 1 st as to p, k 9 for facing. ROW 2—

P 10, work k 2, p 2 ribbing to end. Repeat last 2 rows until ribbing is same length as on back, end on wrong side. INC. ROW—Continuing ribbing, work 8 sts, inc. 1 st in every 2nd st 25 times, finish row; 104 sts.

PATTERN: P 1 row. ROW 2—K 1, repeat between *s of pat. row 2 of back 7 times, k 9, slip 1 st, k 9. P 1 row. Continue to work pat. on 85 sts and front band and facing on 10 sts until same length as back to underarm, end at underarm edge. Place marker. Cast on 12 sts for sleeve; 116 sts. Continue pat. until 5½ ins. above marker, end at front edge.

NECK AND SHOULDER SHAPING: Bind off 10 sts at beg. of next row for neck, finish row. Bind off 12 sts at beg. of each of next 2 rows worked from neck edge; 74 sts. Work even until sleeve, is same length as on back. Shape shoulder same as right shoulder of back, binding off 14 sts in last row.

RIGHT FRONT: Cast on 70 sts. ROW 1—right side—K 2, slip 1 st as to p, k 9; work p 2, k 2 ribbing to end. ROW 2—Work p 2, k 2 ribbing for 60 sts, p 10. Work ribbing and front band for ½ in., end at front edge. BUTTONHOLES—K 3, bind off 3 sts, k until 3 sts after buttonhole *, slip 1, repeat between *s once, work ribbing to end. On next row, cast on 3 sts over each buttonhole. Finish to correspond to left front, repeating buttonholes every 2 ins., including previous buttonhole, 8 times more.

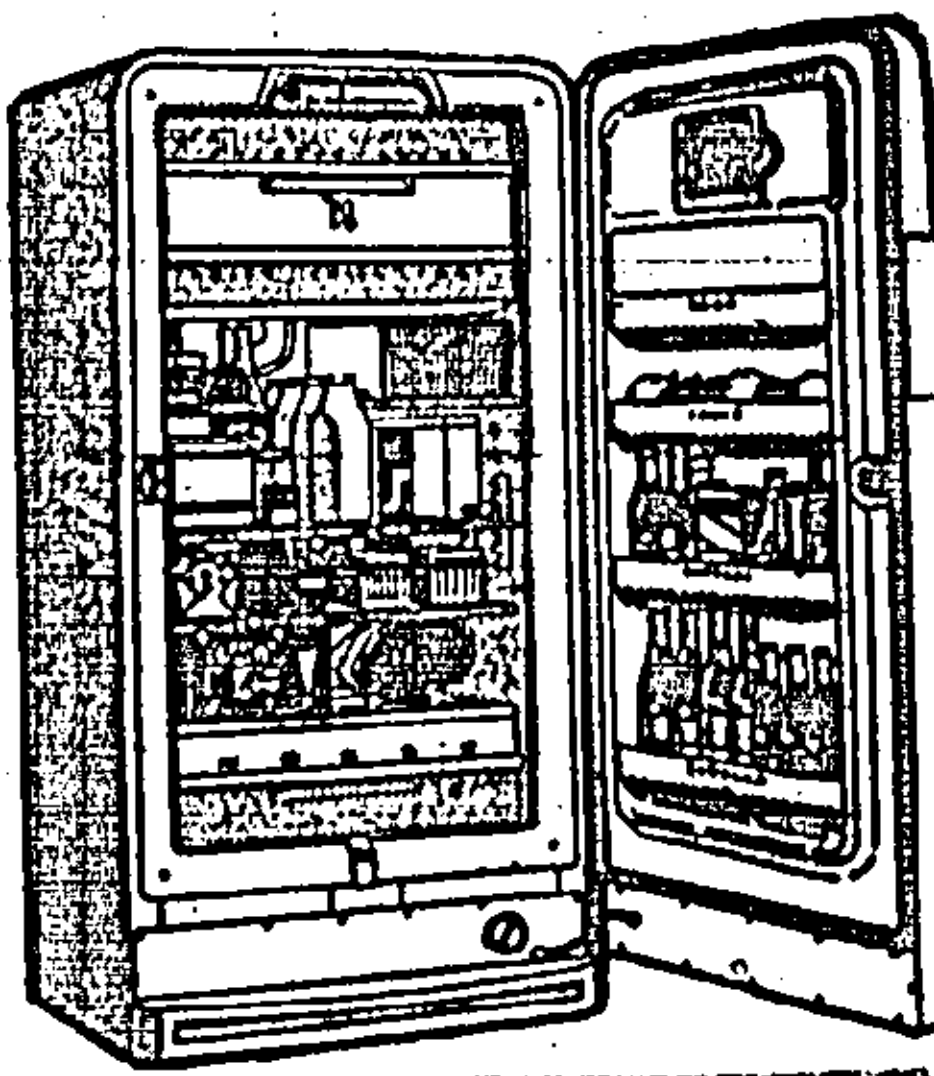
COLLAR: Cast on 142 sts for lower edge. Work stockinette st, decreasing 1 st each side every 4th row 4 times; 134 sts. Work 1 row even. Dec. 14 sts evenly spaced across next row; 120 sts. Work 1 row even. Bind off.

EDGING: From right side, work 1 row sc around 3 outer edges of collar, increasing in corners to keep edges flat. Break off. From same side as last row, with loop on hook, 1 sc in first st, * ch 2, 1 sc through front loop and 1 thread of stem of last st (a picot), skip 1 st, 1 sc in next st; repeat from * to end. Work same edging around sleeves.

FINISHING: Sew seams. Fold under front facings and hem to wrong side. Finish buttonholes. Work 1 row sc around neck edge, holding in to desired size. Sew on collar with ends of collar at centre of front bands. Steam lightly.

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To Help Keep Lingerie Lovely

By ELEANOR ROSS

LINGERIE rates high on the gift list this year, and no wonder, for never have there been such colourful, such filmy underthings, combined with such ease of upkeep. Very little or no pressing, materials from which dirt and grime just float out, and improved styling and sizing all help to make lingerie the perfect gift.

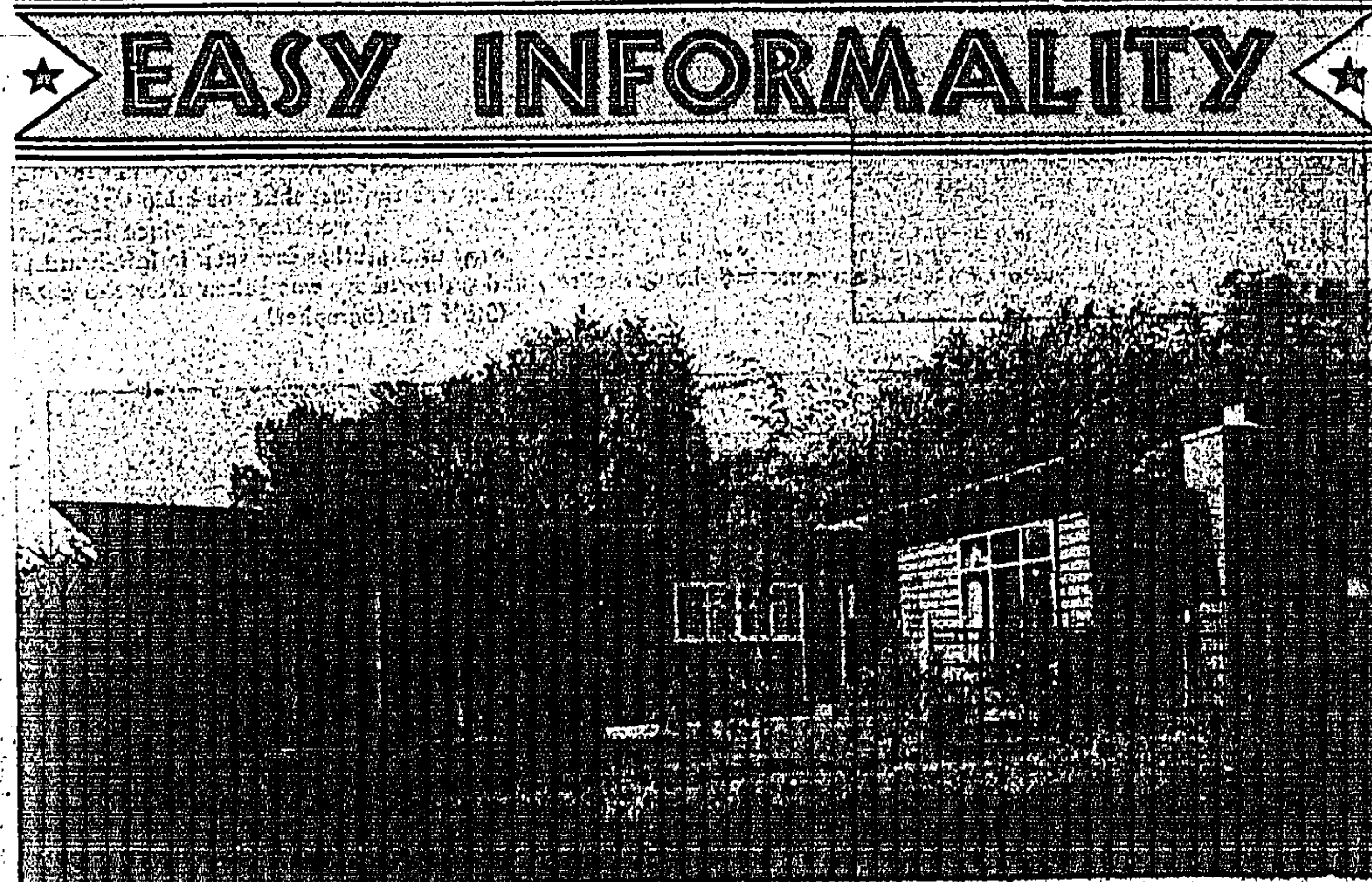
One woman has a very nice suggestion. With her gifts of lingerie she includes plastic bags specially designed to keep the garments spotless and smooth between wearings. She's an authority on the care of lingerie and has some excellent suggestions.

Ironing Lace

When ironing lingerie lace it should be placed wrong side up on a piece of flannel or a soft towel. Then place a piece of chiffon or a fine handkerchief over the lace to protect it from the tip of the iron which should not be more than warm. The lace should look shop-new with this handling.

Women who are allergic to nylon will find exquisite silk lingerie available this season. To care for silk properly, the undergarments should be washed frequently in warm water and mild soapflakes. Don't place them over a radiator or to dry, but rather put the garments on a hanger until excess moisture is drained out. Then press on the wrong side with a warm iron.

If garments of any fabric have become spot-soiled, get at the dirt stains with a soft complexion brush and plenty of soapuds. And, whatever the fabric, never never wring, rub or squeeze, but press out water gently.



HERE'S A HOME WITH AN EASY, INFORMAL air that stamps it unmistakably as designed for life in the open country. All on one floor, the dwelling is arranged with a terrace at one end, opening out of the living room, and a port for convenient housing of the family car at the other end.

By MARION CLYDE MCCARROLL
HERE'S a one-floor house that strikes a note of easy informality making it particularly well suited for country living.

With a terrace opening out of the living room at one end, and a car port located at the other end, everything needed to make this out-of-town home compactly self-contained is right at hand.

Designed for a small family, the house has just two bedrooms, but there is ample opportunity for increasing the number if desired.

Provision for dining is made in the living room area, with the kitchen conveniently opening into it. The bathroom is in the hallway between the two bedrooms, beside a service-utility unit which is an unusual and specially desirable feature of the house. Heater, laundry equipment, hot water heater and shelves for household linens are all contained in this unit, with a door opening into the bathroom.

SPECIAL EXERCISE FOR TIRED EYES

By HELEN FOLLETT

YOUR eyes are faithful workers. They get tired, naturally, when they are overworked. In Maria Reedy's book, "The New Way to Relax," there is a chapter given to the treatment of tired eyes, and very interesting it is.

"Drop your eyelids," writes the author. "Do not press them together. Close them lightly. The eyes seem to be moving around under the lids, still tense and staring. Tell yourself there is nothing to stare at. It is growing dark and there is nothing to see. Very dark. And you are sitting quietly and at ease."

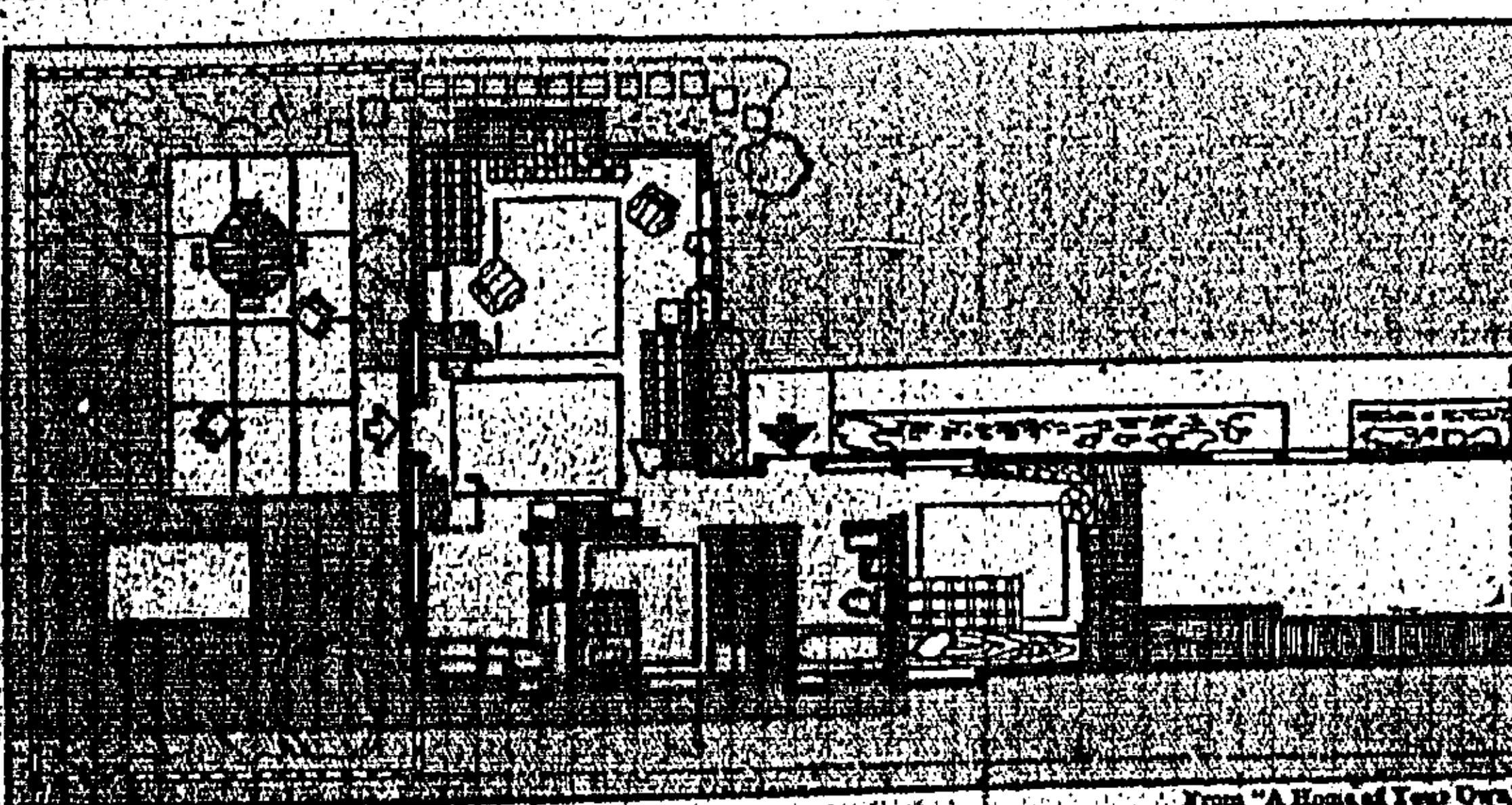
"With the tips of your fingers—your eyes still closed—massage your temples gently. Now comes the important part. Imagine your sight is not at the front of your eyeballs; it is at the back. Slowly you feel that your eyes are dropping back into your skull, so that you are looking back into your head."

"After a few moments, open your eyes. They will feel rested and the tension around them will be gone. This is a practice that should be resorted to when the eyes are tired."

The author says that tension is everybody's complaint. Don't we know it! We experience it ourselves, we see it on the faces that pass us on the street. You may be suffering from it if you awaken in the morning feeling weary and irritable or listless and depressed. It may cause you to be a drive-yourself woman, tearing through the day, going from one task to another, always feeling as if you were not getting anywhere.

It keeps you from relaxing when you go to bed at night and want so much to have refreshing sleep.

Don't abuse your eyes if you want them to be an outstanding beauty feature. And learn how to use eye make-up to make them look attractive.



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ATTRACTING THE
OPPOSITE SEX

I HAVE often wondered why it is that some girls—who to the onlooker seem quite ordinary and not even particularly good-looking—should be attractive to the opposite sex, whereas others, far more beautiful, are, as it were, left out in the cold.

Of course, there is no hard-and-fast rule for attraction. Fortunately, men differ very much in their tastes, but I have known so many girls whom I should have expected to be immediately commandeered and led to the altar who have never received a proposal of marriage or possessed even a half-hearted boy friend.

I know there are people who think that too much importance is attached to what they call "ally sentiment," but nevertheless it is most certainly "love which makes the world go round," and it would be a dismal place (worse than it is in these hard times of frustration and unrest) if everybody was foolish enough to take such a cynical view of matrimony.

I may be quite wrong when I say I have often considered that a state of single blessedness—both in men and women—is due to what they call themselves to be independence and self-sufficiency, the latter being nothing more than a form of conceit and selfishness, and that in spite of the advice given by Punch in 1845 to persons about to marry, which was "don't," the wise will agree that there is nothing more precious and worth while in life than a happy marriage.

MANY years ago, when I was quite young and just beginning to take an interest in love affairs, I knew two sisters who were so utterly unlike it was difficult to believe they were in any way related.

One was exceedingly graceful and pretty, although she certainly had rather a superior air and was apparently very conscious of her beauty. The other was just a tomboy, who took very little interest in her appearance but was always bright and cheerful, and ready to join in any uproar or amusement that came her way. She was quite plain—"I'm the Ugly Duckling," so she would humbly describe herself, but she had a merry twinkle in her nondescript eyes, and whenever she put in an appearance she was bright with her feeling of warmth and good companionship, which her much more beautiful sister entirely lacked.

It was the Ugly Duckling who, as she began to grow up, received all the attention from the Lords of Creation, and while she was still in her teens she had more than one offer of marriage, although—because then I hadn't learned enough about life and its many surprises—I used to wonder what on earth the men could see in her when her sister was so much more picturesque.

ATTRACTION is a strange thing—for which there is no accounting, as we must all have discovered—but at my rate the Ugly Duckling married one of the best-looking and nicest men I have ever known, and although that event took place some years ago he still adores her and thinks she is "the Cat's Whiskers," as he amusingly tells her.

And the beautiful sister? Well, she is still unmarried, and I am afraid she has grown a little embittered and wonders why she should have been so unkindly left out in the cold. To my knowledge there were several men to whom she made open overtures of friendship, no doubt in the hope that it would eventually lead to greater happiness, only to meet with failure and disappointment.

There is a very true saying that if you want a man to run away, which is what the Ugly Duckling did never allowing herself to show any special interest in any particular man, but treating them all with the same cheery "Don't care if you like me or not" attitude, whether it was how she really felt or not.

MY cynical spinster friend, whom I have mentioned more than once in these articles, still declares that she utterly fails to see what such an attractive man as the Ugly Duckling's husband ever saw in her and why he had tolerated her for so many years when he must have met and still meets, so many much more attractive women.

"He ought to have married her sister," she once remarked to me. "They would have made such a handsome pair." As if looks matter, as long as two people can see life from the same angle and have everything in common!

I know another woman—not very young now—who would love to have been married and have had a home and family. Fate has always been against her, though once she thought her dream of happiness was about to be realised. She had a man friend who she believed was devoted to her and would one day ask her to marry him, but in her own words she suddenly cooled off and no obviously evaded her that she realised there was, as she expressed it with a note of bitterness, "nothing doing." "Why do you think he got tired of me?" she asked pathetically, but naturally I could give no adequate answer.

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I know there are many bachelors who as my cynical spinster friend and others like her who scoff at romance (or pretend to because it has never come their way), but I am, and always shall be, a firm believer in the happy endings with which I still (apologetically) deluge the public—firmly agreeing with the man who wrote "Marriage is a tie which makes beautiful, which happiness preserves, and which misfortune strengthens"—and that's that!

I SUPPOSE there are still people in this topsy-turvy world of today who retain some of the strict Victorian idea of morality, and are shocked to death if anyone dares to defy it and choose happiness rather than cling to spotless reputation and misery.

In the days of my youth I was, of course, firmly impressed upon me that the only sure path to happiness was to "wear the white flower of a blameless life,"—a doctrine which I very quickly considered to be dull and untrue, as I much preferred something more colourful and attractive.

However, let me warn readers that if any of them still have faith in Victorian by-laws they had better turn this page quickly and become absorbed in the football news or something less harmful to their outlook on life than the story which I am about to relate.

This particular Benedick I have in mind was very unhappily married—tied to the apron strings of a wife (of the type called "the trousers") who was a dominating, unlovable woman, who made his life a complete misery, partly perhaps because he was not a sufficiently strong character to attempt to rule her with a rod of iron—which would probably have put an end to the trouble.

MANY onlookers wondered why on earth he married her. We all make a wrong choice at some time or another in life—even if it is only by buying a hat which we hate the sight of as soon as we get it home—and no this unhappy Benedick was gradually becoming resigned to the fact that there was no escape from his matrimonial misery. Then, suddenly, like a ray of sunshine, another woman came into his life.

They were obviously made for each other, a fact which unfortunately Mrs. Benedick, who watched her husband's every movement with the eyes of a spiteful and suspicious eagle, discovered before they realised it themselves. Then the trouble started. Amazingly Benedick did not submit as he always had done to his wife's threats of goodness knows what, unless he ended his friendship. Instead he rose like a giant refreshed with wine and for the first time in his life told her the exact truth—that he was fed up with her, that he had borne more than enough of her so-called "wifely devotion," and that he wanted a divorce because the other woman (not having any Victorian scruples) had agreed to make it possible.

DID Mrs. Benedick agree? No. She behaved like the infuriated viper she could be in spite of the fact that her husband promised to treat her with financial generosity. She ordered him out of the house (which, incidentally, was his property and not hers), and he got off with profound thankfulness that it meant the end of such an unhappy marriage. He

and his lady-love set up a new and very different home together.

Everyone who had known Benedick in the past remarked how much younger looking and happier he became as soon as he was free. Very few people—if any—blamed him for taking the step he had.

"He ought to have left the old so-and-so years ago," one of his best friends declared. "Can't imagine how he stood her for five minutes—or why on earth he ever married her anyway."

However, it seemed that Benedick had at last found happiness—no nagging, no domination, just real affection and complete understanding with the young woman who—if she had ever heard of Victorian respectability—calmly smiled and ignored it.

They lived together for two years, during which time their happiness remained completely untouched by the spiteful attempts made by Mrs. Benedick to ruin it. Then, like a bolt from the blue, the unexpected happened. She suddenly departed this life, and Benedick and his lady-love became husband and wife.

Was that the happy ending, you may wonder? Alas, I am afraid not, for as a famous writer wrote—"Matrimony is the high sea for which no compass has yet been invented." Although there seemed no reasonable cause for things to go wrong between these two, the shadow of trouble came, before many months had passed, to blot out the sunshine of happiness.

IMPOSSIBLE to explain why, unless it was chiefly the fault of Benedick, because a remembrance of the past made him feel he was once again tied to an apron—strings. Perhaps he imagined it was now his turn to act the martinet. It was certainly he who made the little rift within the lute, and although at first his wife bore it with good-humoured tolerance, she naturally grew unhappy and disillusioned, and began to answer back.

"Serve them right," those who still retain Victorian ideas of morality may think, but I must confess—advocate as I am for tolerance in marriage—I had to smile when one day, not so very long ago, I came face to face with Mr. Benedick rushing through one of the big London stores as if a mad bull was after him. I barred his way and asked in surprise what was wrong.

"This is what he told me: 'My wife and I have had a row about a damned fur coat she wants me to buy for her. Don't stop me—I'm running away from her—'

When I reminded him that not so very long ago he had been running after her at even greater speed, he scowled and said: 'Marriage is the very devil. I was a fool not to have kept my freedom.' And away he went. Oh well, perhaps one of these days something may happen to put things right between these two who at first found such happiness together. I sincerely hope so.

No use to pass judgment anyway; we and all made so different, and it's impossible to foretell which of us will be the

next to come a cropper! How true it is that:

"Before you answer 'yes' or 'no' Hear what both sides have to say."

But of course those who still cling to the Victorian ideas of morality will declare in a loud chorus of triumphant delight: "Serve those two right! Serve them jolly well right!" But I don't agree! "Take your happiness while you may" is my motto, even if it is only short-lived!

HAVE any of you friends who are anoth, dear readers? I sincerely hope not. The one thing I have always despised and failed to understand is snobbery. The first day I arrived at boarding school, in the dim and distant past, I was confronted by one of the pupils who immediately inquired what my father was. When I informed her in some surprise at such a question that he was an architect she gave a sigh of relief and said: "Well then, you and I are the only two in this school who are daughters of professional men. My father is a lawyer, but all the others are in trades or something."

"What on earth does that matter?" I inquired, but she seemed to think it was a matter of such great importance it ought to be broadcasted all over the world—only there wasn't such a thing as broadcasting in those days!

To my mind there is at least one bright spot in the present jigsaw puzzle of the world, which is that snobbery is rapidly dying out. People with common-sense and a sense of humour are realising that to be a good mixer, not to be influenced by birth or money, is to be a greater happiness than those who can who still keep themselves aloof and consider it a crime to "marry beneath you" as it has been called. These now rare folk refuse to be on friendly terms with anyone who keeps a shop or drops an H or two! Thank heaven there are fewer and fewer of them as the years go on.

SHORTLY after the last war I happened to meet a very attractive girl who came from what is called "a good family" who could boast that their ancestors were friends of William the Conqueror—or somebody equally famous and highly revered.

I liked the girl although she was very high and haughty in spite of the fact that taxation had changed her family's way of life. She was profoundly shocked when one day we visited my local fishmonger together, and he called me "My dear."

"How can you allow it?" she demanded in horror, and I think she thought must be off my head when I laughed and told her that I liked the man and that we were good friends. But she had her awakening, which began when she was somewhere on holiday and met a Prince Charming who immediately captured her heart.

It was apparently love at first sight and, as so often happens in

such a case, they were so wrapped up in their mutual attraction that neither of them inquired into family affairs or attempted to discover if their next of kin were anything to do with the aristocracy. However, this matter was bound to come out in the end and when the first thrill was calmed down a little, to her horror my girl friend discovered that her future husband's father kept an unpretentious grocer's shop somewhere on the outskirts of London.

He had apparently spent all his earnings on giving his son a much finer education than he himself had received, and had arranged for him to join a firm of solicitors.

"A grocer's shop!" my girl friend gasped, and she nearly had a fit when—with extreme reluctance—her future husband insisted upon taking her to inspect it. There she met his father—a very ordinary, obviously hard-working man who, at the moment, was wearing an apron and cutting up the bacon ration for a customer.

Well, snobbery conquered and the love-affair abruptly ended. The boy friend told his lady-love exactly what he thought of her, and said that the day would come—as he hoped it would—when she would bitterly regret being such a fool (I think he expressed it in even stronger terms). He added that he considered he was well rid of her!

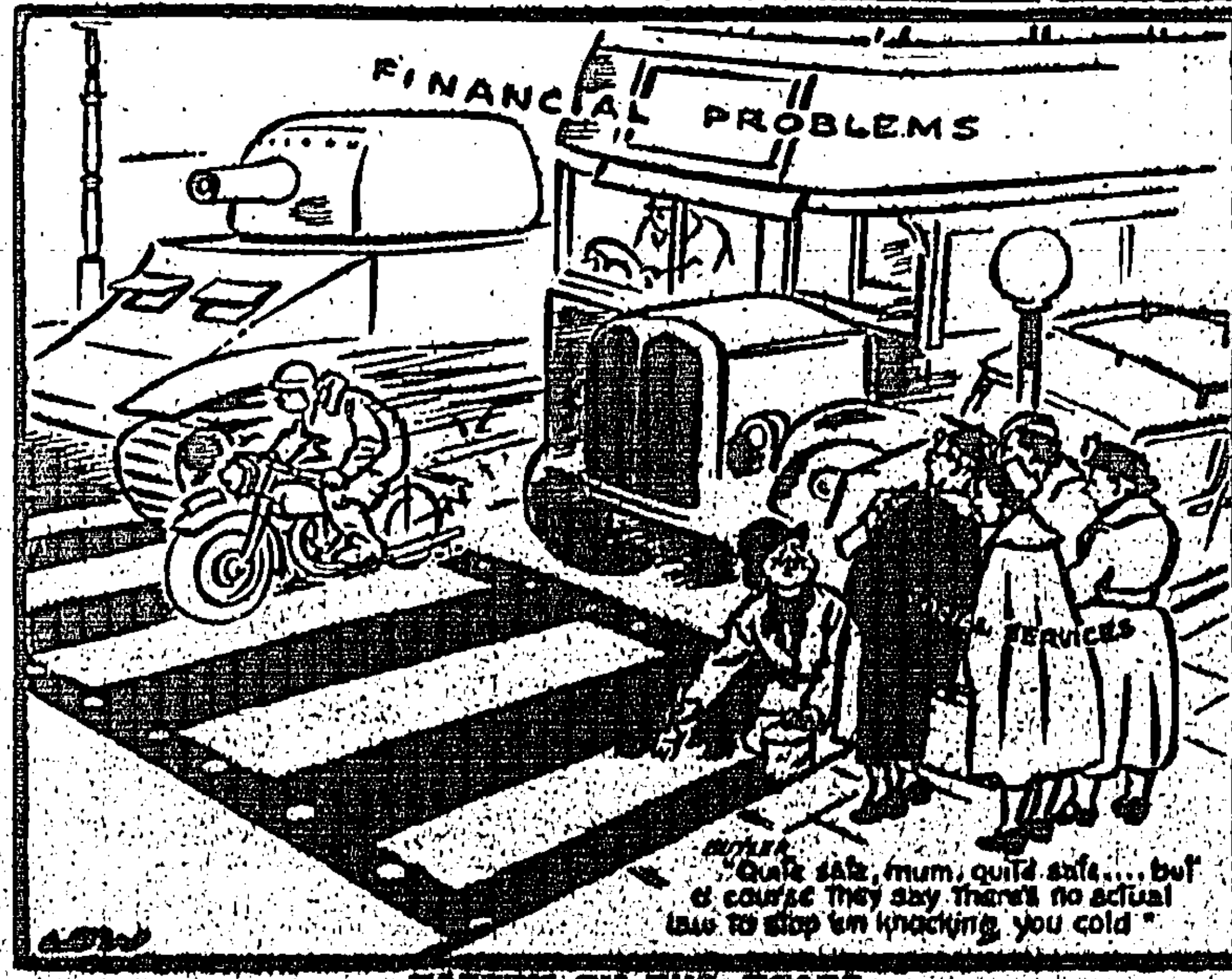
AND what happened? Well, the happy ending came in the most surprising manner after the despised grocer in the white apron had met with a bad accident which crippled him for life. His sob-highly educated wife had been—turned his back on the fact that he had been planned for him, and the firm of solicitors in which he had one day hoped to be made a partner. He took on the job of cutting up the bacon and doling out the one egg a week to registered customers.

He and his girl friend met quite by chance one day, some months after their parting, and then apparently the great attraction which they had first known returned a thousandfold. The silly snobbery she had known instantly became as dead as a door-nail and she asked him to forgive her and marry her as she knew she could never be happy without him.

And did he? He certainly did, being a man of great understanding and realising that she had learned her lesson. Now they live over the shop together in perfect happiness (though of course her aristocratic parents were shocked to the marrow, and refuse to have anything to do with them). When business is unusually brisk and something surprisingly comes off the ration, Mrs. Grocer now cheerfully and willingly goes behind the counter and lends quite a capable hand!

An impossible story, you may say, and one which can only end in disillusionment and the death of love, to which I at once reply: "Nonsense! It's commonplace ship that makes real happiness, and not a mansion with centuries of snobby ancestry in its trail!"

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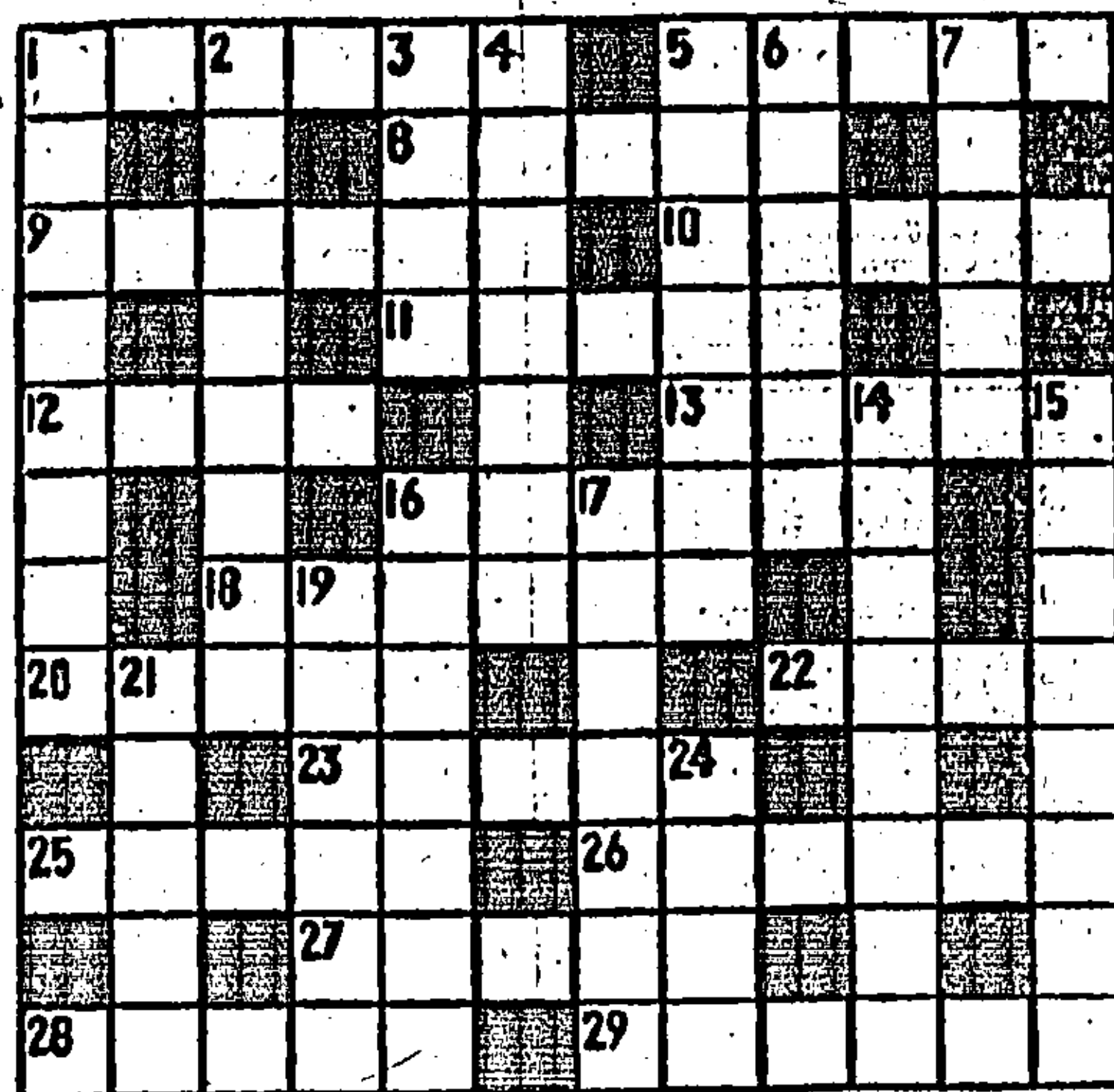
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EDWARD VII: what a relief after Victoria

RECOLLECTIONS OF THREE REIGNS. By Sir Frederick Ponsonby. Eyre and Spottiswoode. 25s. 365 pages.

By GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON

ON the German station platform, the band begins the British National Anthem for the fourth time. The stationmaster, seeing that the red carpet is 100 yards out of place, bids good-bye to his coveted M.V.O. Little does he realise that the stingy British would not have given him a decoration in any case!

The King is not in his counting-house counting out his money—but in the Royal Dresser changing into the full dress uniform of the Rumboldtskian Culrossier Guards.



SIR FREDERICK

What should a young querry know?

while his valet, goaded by kingly calls, hunts through the luggage for the ribbon of the Blue Eagle.

It is a typical scene from the great Edwardian operetta, on whose back-stage of roaring farce and broad comedy "Fritz" Ponsonby lifts a corner of the velvet curtain. Man and boy, he was the gifted servant

of the British dynasty for 40 years, beginning with a harsh apprenticeship under Queen Victoria, between whom and himself arose a cordial dislike. Edward VII is, therefore, the hero of this excellent, barely different, book of memories: Edward's reign the main and gayest theme of this Book of the Month.

What should a young querry know? Ponsonby asked himself. Short-hand, he decided, typewriting, German (so that he could converse with the relatives of the Queen's relatives—the relatives themselves found it advisable to learn English) the contents of the Almanach de Gotha.

Short-hand looked the hardest part of the programme, so young Captain Ponsonby of the Grenadiers went every morning to Pitman's Metropolitan School. "Come sober," said the headmaster. "Not what you call sober, but what I call sober—and no undue familiarity with the female pupils." Ponsonby shunned temptation and reached 120 words a minute.

CHILD'S PLAY

Such he was facing problems which Short-hand could not solve, e.g., how to prevent two Spanish ambassadors from meeting in Windsor Castle, one of whom had sworn to spit in the other's face.

Seeing that there was a danger they would collide, Ponsonby adroitly hustled the fiercer of the two into a side-room. But he had then to find a pretext for his action. "Who painted that picture?" he asked. "Winter-miller," the ambassador replied suspiciously, pointing to the artist's signature, enormous on the canvas. "Ah, but was it really? That's the point," said Ponsonby boldly.

After this, it was chess; play is said now the French President in more republican official should be received at Cannes. Obviously, this Frenchman was not so to the King; dear, it would be enough if he went half-way down the stairs, and a White could not go to the door of discourtesy. He kept his hat on in the house until he actually shook hands with the Prince.

As a reward for faithful service, the King given for three years a custody her consent to Ponsonby's marriage, forbidding him to marry a silver sea service as a present and, rather than live in the Bexen Tower at Windsor, turned it into a store for the night of 1901.

When Edward VII mounted the throne, it is said after 50 years. The amusement with which the fables of that year's history are recounted. His appointment. Horrified to find there will be 13 to dinner in some German palace, he is suddenly mysteriously appeased. Why does the sun of Hanover shine again? "Princess Frederick of Hesse," he explains, "is pregnant."

TYRANT ON DRESS

He is restless, bored with family life, hates men's dinner parties, when his queen is in mourning for her father and no ladies can be entertained. "What tiresome evenings we shall have!" the King laments. On dress what a tyrant! On decorations what an expert!

Amused when Lord Rosberry turns up for dinner at Nassau in a Royal Yacht Squadron mess-jacket and a white tie, it upsets his entire evening. Shocked when an equestrian proposes to go to a wedding in a black waist-coat. "My dear fellow, is it possible?"

As the royal yacht draws nearer to the Scottish coast, he is careful to treat his Swiss valet. "A costume a little more Scottish to-morrow!"

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

Snaps For School Memory Books

BE sure to have some flash equipment for the index activities which crowd the school calendar. If yours is a fairly new camera, it is likely to be so that all you need is the flash attachment that clips right on and enables you to flash the bulb with the same push of the button that trips the shutter. If your camera is not so equipped, don't give up. Talk to your photographic dealer about an expensive hand flasher that will hardly make a dent in your allowance. It calls for a little more care in operation than synchronised flash, but it will give you pictures well worth the trouble.

And while you are making pictures for your own enjoyment, keep an eye out for shots that may be suitable for your school yearbook. The editor will be delighted when the book is published and when the book is published, you can point with pride to your contribution.

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—John Van Guilder

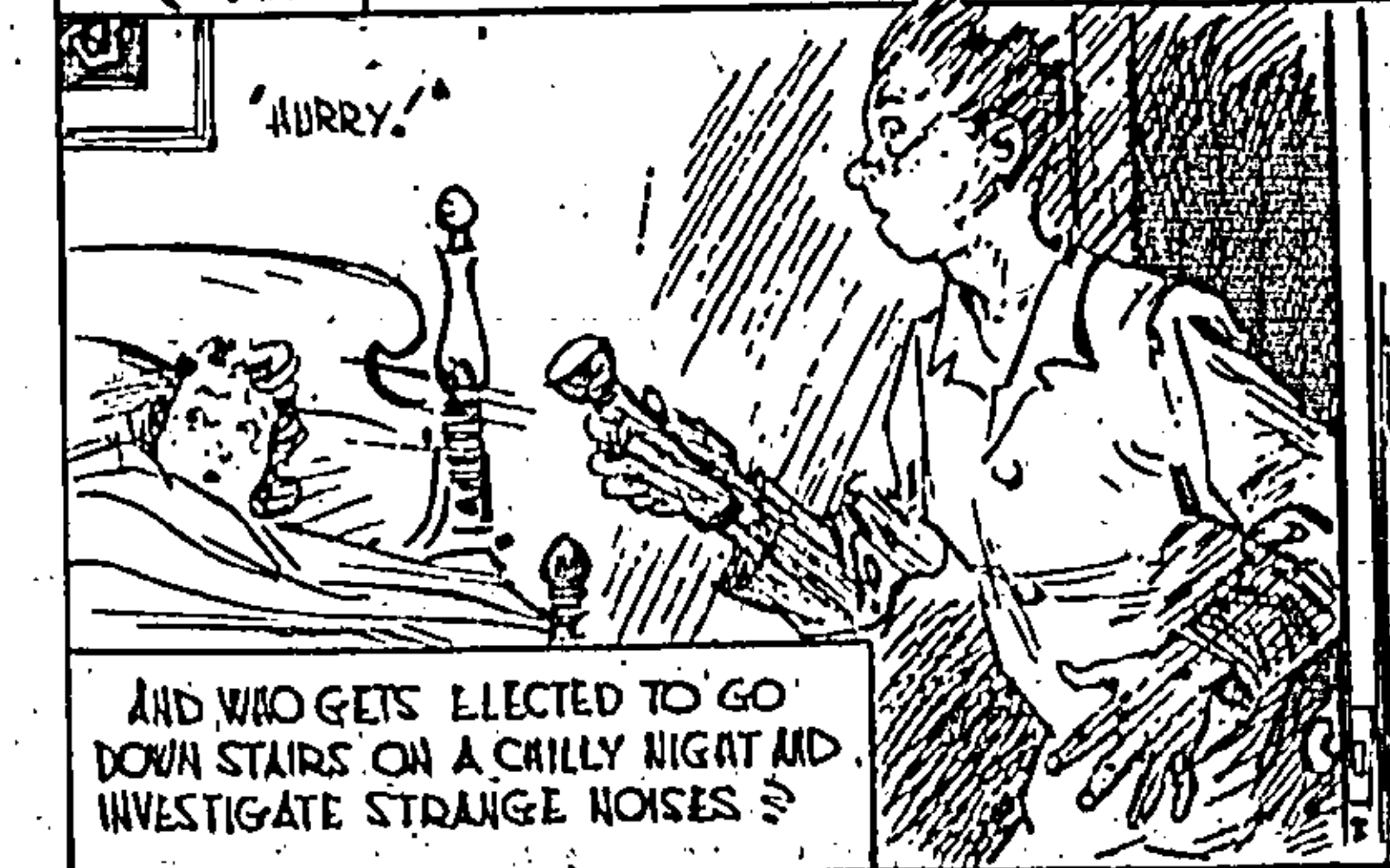
VIGNETTES OF LIFE

Elections

By KEMP STARRETT



WHY DO WE ALWAYS GET ELECTED TO PUT UP THE DOWN PAYMENT ON THE NEW CAR OUR BROTHER-IN-LAW MUST HAVE?



HURRY.



—AND THE BIG LADDER IS OUT IN THE GARAGE, DADDY SAID, AND THE TOOLS, TOO... ETC.

WHEN HER TV. AERIAL NEEDS FIXING WHO GETS ELECTED TO CLIMB UP AND DO THE JOB? NOT THE GUY SHE WAS OUT WITH LAST NIGHT... HUH?



WHAT IN HEAVEN'S NAME CAN WE DO WITH THEM?

OR HIS RELATIVES ALWAYS ELECT YOU CUSTODIAN OF THE 'ANTIQUES' THEY'VE NO USE OR ROOM FOR?



AND WHY YOUR YOUNG ONE IS ALWAYS ELECTED MASTER OF THE ROUNDS BY ALL THE STRAY PUPS THAT HAPEN ALONG?



OR AS SOON AS A MAN GETS ELECTED SETTLED IN COMFORT WITH THE SPORT PAGE OR HIS PET PUZZLE, SOMEONE ELECTS HIM TO A STRETCH AT HARD LABOR.



MOTHER HAS A SPLITTING HEADACHE... YOU'LL HAVE TO GO UP AND DO SOMETHING!

WHEN IT'S A MATTER OF TAKING FIRM ACTION AGAINST THOSE NOISY PEOPLE UPSTAIRS WHO INVARIABLY GET ELECTED?



AND WHY IS IT ALWAYS YOUR KID WHO GETS ELECTED TO HELP YOUR NEIGHBOURS BOYS TO MOVE THE COAL AND CLEAN THE CELLAR?

Snap that happy moment

PHILIPS

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PRESS PHOTOGRAPHS

Copies of photographs taken by the South China Morning Post, South China Sunday Post-Herald, and China Mail Staff Photographers are on view in the Morning Post Building.

ORDERS BOOKED

Sentence Deferred

By HENRY LONGHURST

The tournament for the President's Putter seemed to indicate that our dear and, we had thought, departed golf friend, the stymie, may prove a more lively customer when dead than ever it was in its lifetime.

The Abolitionists, to whose ranks I was converted a few years ago, preached the simple creed "Death to the stymie," whereupon at long last the authorities, bowing, as authorities in this democratic age are meant to do, to popular opinion, condemned it to death. Or so they thought.

The sentence reads "When the ball nearer the hole lies on the putting green it may be lifted without penalty, at the option of the player, at the moment, if either consider that it might interfere with or be of assistance to the player."

POWERFUL VOICES

Recalling, perhaps, a similar sentence of death in 1833, surviving which the stymie lived on for another 118 years, powerful voices conspire to launch an appeal.

J. H. Taylor, quoted by America's leading journal "Golf World" (illustrated, incidentally, by a picture of Sandy Herd), booms of a "devoted and reverential respect for the glorious traditions of the game... feeble representation of the real thing... far better to allow chaos and disruption than a vital principle to be sacrificed."

And David Blair, who to his eternal credit in this age of specialists arrived for the Walker Cup match carrying his fishing rods, writes to the paper to say that he and fellow Scottish internationalists will battle to the bitter end....

COMPLEX PATTERN

Four stymie-less days at Rye revealed a pattern more complex than we Abolitionists had dreamed. Rarely in the "in-fighting" stage of golf, namely when the balls are near the hole, was more than one ball to be seen. The other had been picked up. And for every time that the nearer ball was lifted at the player's request as being in the way, it was lifted half a dozen times by the opponent, as being of possible assistance.

As often as not it was well wide of the hole, or even beyond it, with no question of what in the old unenlightened days we used to call a stymie. The law is the law, and may well be an ass, but we have to stick to its letter, if only for the fact that no one has yet set down in words its spirit. A ball beyond the hole, with a silencer, down hill, frosty putt, will undoubtedly be of "assistance" if he hit it.

GAMESMANSHIP

Many minor problems, psychological and practical, arise. Your opponent, 16 inches from the hole, elects to pick up his ball. You may, in the end, "give" it to him, or you may not. You are not sure. Are you guilty of Gamesmanship if you ask him to "mark" it?

Or you are plumb in the other man's way—the real, old-fashioned stymie. How do you mark your ball? With a coin for him to bounce over—or by scratching up the turf with a peg tee—or by gazing fixedly at the spot till your own eyes are crossed?

Or there is mud on your ball. You pick it up. Is it still to be the same mud on it, facing the same way, when you replace it? Human nature has its limitations.

Oh Dear! Oh dear! Is this the "unplayable" ball—all over again? Devoutly hoping not, I raise the cry, "The stymie is dead. Long live the stymie—provided you lay it yourself!"

Alf Gover's Cricket Academy

BACK PLAY—CUTTING

There are two types of cutting, the square cut and the late cut. Both should be made off the back foot, though the square cut may sometimes be made off the front foot.

The late cut is, in my opinion, the prettiest and neatest shot in the game. It is not seen much in first class cricket today, owing to the tendency of bowlers to bowl "in" to the leg side. For it is bad policy to cut a ball moving in to you. In fact, the first golden rule is "Don't attempt to cut in-swingers and off spinners."

The late cut is a good shot to play at the ball of medium pace, pitched short of a length and outside the off stump. The bat, already lifted back, is kept up. The right leg goes back towards the off stump with the foot pointing in the direction of third man.

When the weight of the body is over the right leg, which is now slightly bent, the left leg is braced off the toe. The balance of the body is now taken in the direction of the shot—third man—and the trunk turned with the left shoulder towards the line of the ball. The bat is then brought down across the line of flight, making contact with the ball when it is in line with the stumps.

Just before the moment of impact both arms should be almost straight. As you hit the ball, turn the right hand over the left and let the bat travel on to a comfortable position. Remember that all through the stroke the balance of the body must be on the right leg.

OFF LEG BREAKS TOO

Leary Constantine, the great West Indies all rounder, once made a remarkable shot in at-

tempting a late cut off a ball from me in a West Indies v. Surrey match at the Oval.

As the ball pitched, he started to get in position for the late cut. But to everyone's surprise, the ball shot straight along the ground.

Constantine, undismayed, immediately went down on his right knee and hit the ball with the "oil hole" or bottom of the bat. It looked like a billiards shot, and it literally shoved the ball away from him for one run.

The best late cutter in modern cricket is Len Hutton. He is particularly good at this shot when playing leg break bowlers. The ball that pitches on a good length, outside the off stump, cannot always be played with safety off the back foot in front of the wicket; so Hutton will often help the ball on its way by employing the late cut.

It is, of course, an advanced shot, but once you have mastered the mechanics of the stroke against the medium or quick bowler, it is only a matter of time before you can start making it off the leg break bowler. Don't, of course, try cutting a

googly. If you do, you are courting disaster.

SQUARE CUT

The square cut is used against the shorter pitched ball that is well outside the off stump. In this shot, made with a cross bat, you play across the line of the ball. Before the ball pitches, move the back foot across and back in order to get the bat behind the line of the ball. The left hand should be in front of the right when hitting the ball.

With your back foot taking the weight of the body, bring the bat down in a horizontal position. Just before the moment of impact, speed the swing of the bat by using the wrists.

Follow through by allowing the bat to run out its natural momentum, using the left hand as the axis. The body balances at the moment of impact will go towards the bent right leg, but not over it as for the late cut.

Now I previously stated that you may at times cut off the front foot—but only to a ball that is very short and very wide of the off stump. Remember in going forward that the longer your pace up the wicket, the closer you bring the ball to you. So it must—I repeat must—be a very short pitched ball indeed



Bent right leg, weight on and over right leg, up on left foot, trunk turned round, head steady, right foot in direction of shot, arms almost straight, right hand just coming over left.

that can be cut off the front foot.

The mechanics of the stroke will be the same as for the normal square cut, except that the weight of the body will be on a slightly bent front leg. The danger in cutting from the front foot is most apparent in a ball that comes back from the off side or moves in towards you.

Obviously you will be in a cramped position when the ball arrives, and invariably play the ball up in the air towards gully or square point position. Obviously one would not attempt to cut an off spinner off the front foot; if an off spinner is going to pitch a ball as short as that, the pull shot can be used.

KEEP YOUR HANDS HIGH

When making any type of cut remember the bat must be brought down on the ball; so always keep your hands above the height of the ball. If the ball is higher than you anticipated, and your hands are high, it is still possible to bring the bat down on the ball.

But if your hands are low, it is difficult to continue the stroke

with any degree of safety. Remember the golden rule of cutting—you can always get down to the ball, but once down you cannot easily come up.

Cyril Washbrook of Lancashire and England is a great exponent of the square cut. Surrey were playing them at Old Trafford on what could be described as a really wicked pitch. Cyril had opened the batting and, owing to the way the ball was kicking, had not connected at all with any ball I had bowled at him. I sent down a fast one—short and outside the off stump. He made a most beautiful square cut, giving the ball a terrific crack, only to find himself caught by point, who made the catch more in self defence than anything else.

Once you are a master of the late and square cuts you will find that you can make these strokes to the ball that is pitched only just outside the off stump; move your right foot back towards the leg stump and your left towards the on side. You are then in relatively the same position as when normally cutting, and you have added a further scoring stroke to your bag. One last thing. Are you getting lots of practice? I hope so.

MORE THAN 30 COUNTRIES WILL COMPETE IN THE WINTER GAMES AT OSLO

The Winter Olympic Games of 1952 will begin in just over a week in Oslo. The official opening by King Haakon on February 15 will set the seal on five years' extensive preparation. For, since the International Olympic Committee, in 1947, chose Oslo as the scene, Norway has been getting ready for the arrival of the world's top-flight snow and ice athletes.

170,000 booklets on the Games, in English, French and Norwegian, have already been sent to travel bureaux all over the world. 40,000 posters, in English, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Finnish, German and Norwegian, have been displayed in airports, railway stations, and ship landing stages.

In addition, 4,000,000 specially printed postage stamps in three values, depicting a skater, a ski-jumper, and a Norwegian winter landscape, have been issued.

All this advertising is planned to attract 10,000 or more foreign visitors.

Teams are coming from over 30 countries, including Great Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Portugal, Japan, Argentina, and Italy—the latter subsidised by a state-run football pool.

Even the USSR and Korea may still compete.

The problem of housing the 1,200 to 1,300 competitors has been solved by the erection, in Oslo's suburbs, of three new villages, which will afterwards accommodate students and the staff of a hospital.

BANDY INCLUDED

Events in this year's programme include ice-hockey, speed and figure skating, skiing, bob-sleighting and the Nordic winter sport of bandy.

Bandy is little known outside Scandinavia, where it is often called "winter-football". The rules are similar to those of soccer. Fast and spectacular, there are eleven-a-side; players use a "bat", shaped like a hockey stick, to drive a heavy ball.

The ice hockey matches will be played at Jordal Amfi, Oslo's first artificial rink, which, seating 10,000 spectators, was completed last December.

Oslo has other arenas which generally provide first-rate skating through the season. But the International Ice Hockey League, perhaps bearing in mind the slush at St. Moritz during the last Games, has now decided that events must be played on an artificially frozen surface.

The speed-skating, the bandy final, and some of the figure-skating will be held in the huge Bislett Stadium, which, with room for 28,000, is also staging the opening and closing ceremonies.

The ski tracks are in the Nordfjell area, scene of many major post-war skiing events.

NEW BOB-SLEIGH RUN

For the bob-sleighting, a completely new run was built. Bob-sleighting is a new sport in Norway, and there was previously no adequate bob-run available. Before its construction, two members of the Norwegian Bob-Sleigh Committee studied a number of Swiss runs, while two Swiss experts gave their advice.

Just under a mile in length, it falls 414 ft. The gradient is never less than 1 in 27.2, and in places is as steep as 1 in 7.2.

With these preparations behind them Norwegians are ready for a first-class sporting treat. An unexpected spell of mild weather a short while ago raised doubts whether there would be enough snow for the skiing. But then the snow fell, and now the slopes are covered with a thick white blanket.

This is the first time that Norway's capital has been chosen

Crosby And Hope Are Not Music-Hall Golfers

When the Sports Editor of one of Britain's leading newspapers recently cabled Bing Crosby and Bob Hope in America to ask them if they would compete in the British Amateur Open Golf Championship at Prestwick commencing May 28, he started the biggest argument since it was first decided to abolish the stymie.

It happened this way. Hope and Crosby both replied that they were expecting to file entries for The Amateur. Another English paper, upon seeing the news, expressed immediate horror at the idea of Bob and Bing playing together in the premier Amateur golf competition. The inference was that the Championship would become a comic music-hall turn.

Naturally such a suggestion was seized on in the States where both Crosby and Hope are recognised top-class golfers. Right away, Professional Jimmy Demaret, one of the big boys on the "follow the sun" all-year-round American tournament circuit, retorted with caustic comments in defence of the famous couple.

Crosby and Hope had done a great deal of good for golf, asserted Demaret, Crosby, even has his own tournament named after him. And Jimmy went on to say that if Hope or Crosby could practise a little more they

would beat 90 per cent of Britain's amateurs.

He added, so it is said, "They are certainly good enough to make the British Walker Cup Team, and they would even win a few matches which would be a novelty for the British team."

SUMMED UP

And there you have the whole position summed up. The qualification rule for The Amateur says that a British entrant must have a handicap of not more than two. Overseas

entrants have to be recommended by their own Associations.

Crosby and Hope have both been recommended by America in the past, so technically there can be no objection to their entry on this occasion. But British golf fans find themselves divided.

There are a number, although I believe them to be in the minority, who feel that Bing and Bob together would turn the Amateur into a music-hall act. And at all costs they would avoid this even if it meant refusing their entries. But this is a very narrow-minded view.

I am sure that the majority would agree with me when I say Bing Crosby and Bob Hope should be welcomed if they are able to compete this summer.

Crosby, two years ago at St. Andrews, showed he is a player of high calibre and even if Bob Hope did come unstuck at Royal Portcullis last May, every golfer has his bad days.

Undoubtedly the entry of these two fine sportsmen would be a fillip to British golf. Interest would be stimulated among thousands of the non-playing fraternity and attendance figures would soar. At a time when British amateur golf needs all the spare cash it can obtain, this is surely not an opportunity to throw away lightly. (London Express Service)

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NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The Club's property at Happy Valley is being lent to the Hong Kong Kennel Club for a Dog Show on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th February, 1952. The premises will close to Members at 12 Noon on Saturday and 10 a.m. on Sunday. The Badminton Courts will be closed all day Friday 8th, Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th February.

During the Show the Private Boxes, Coffee Room, Bar, Ladies' Lounge and the upper verandah will be open and reserved for the use of Members of the Jockey Club who attend the Show (admission \$3.00 adults and \$1.00 for Service personnel in uniform and children under 16, payable at the Public gate).

Members of the Jockey Club attending the Show and who wish to make use of the Club Rooms and upper verandah must wear their Member's Badge, otherwise they will not be admitted thereto.

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Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th Feb., 1952.

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Allies Expected To Accept Red Proposal —With Reservations Korea Political Conference

Munsan, Feb. 9.

The Allies are due to reply today (Saturday) to a Communist proposal for a post-war Korean political conference. Acceptance—probably with important reservations—seemed likely.

A meeting of the top truce teams of the Reds and the United Nations Command teams was set for 10 a.m. at Panmunjom.

The Allied reply to North Korean General Nam Il's three-point proposal was a closely-guarded secret. General Matthew B. Ridgway, Supreme Allied Commander, conferred with Vice-Admiral C. Turner Joy, Chief Allied negotiator, before it was announced that the UN Command would reply today.

Nam Il proposed on Wednesday that the negotiators arrange a high-level conference between representatives of the belligerent governments on three points within 90 days after an armistice is signed. He suggested this agenda:

1. Withdrawal of all foreign troops from Korea;
2. Peaceful settlement of the Korean question;
3. Settlement of other problems in Asia related to the Korean question.

Before the Allied delegates left for Panmunjom, observers at this advance camp predicted the UN reply would be restricted to recommendations on the Korean military situation.

As military men, the Allied negotiators were not empowered to talk about anything but the writing of an armistice and the making of recommendations to the UN Command.

NO PROGRESS. But the unofficial view last night was that the UN team would reply favourably on the proposal for a political conference for discussion of withdrawal of foreign troops and settlement of the Korean question.

The Reds proposed that such a conference be attended by five representatives of the North Korea and Red Chinese Governments and five from UN members engaging in the Korean war.

As a reason for their suggestion for a sweeping discussion of Asiatic problems generally, the Reds said President Harry Truman had "publicly connected the war in Korea with other questions of the East."

But the Communist proposal did not mention the Republic of Korea, the tragically battered baby of the United Nations.

In yesterday's lower-level talks at Panmunjom, no substantial progress was reported on the issues of truce supervision and exchange of prisoners.—Associated Press.

AIR ATTACKS

Seoul, Feb. 9. United Nations warplanes pushed their round-the-clock attacks on enemy targets yesterday (Friday) as Allied foot soldiers enjoyed milder weather on a quiet front.

The Fifth Air Force flew 500 sorties against the Communists by sunset on the 17th day of "Operation Strangle."

Withdraws His Name

New York, Feb. 9. General Douglas MacArthur today sent telegrams to two Minnesota men asking them to withdraw his name from that State's presidential primary.

A spokesman said the State's presidential primary, scheduled for March 18, was the first of the State's primary elections. MacArthur, State Chairman of the National Committee of the Republican Party, had been asked to withdraw his name from the primary.

The message said the General would appreciate it if they would withdraw their petitions, the spokesman said. He pointed out that it was in line with MacArthur's repeated statements that he was not a candidate for public office.—Associated Press.

Czech Protest To Britain

Vienna, Feb. 8. Czechoslovakia today protested to the British Embassy in Prague against the conference of emigrants from Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania and other Eastern European countries held in London the note of protest stated recently.

Prague Radio said that the note of protest stated that the fact that Britain, which still had diplomatic relations with Czechoslovakia, should allow and support such a conference was "incomprehensible."—Reuter.

SCHOOLBOY FACING A BIG TASK

(OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Feb. 8. A 17-year-old schoolboy will make his debut in First Division soccer on Saturday. He is 6 ft 1 inch Derek Williams, from the North Wales market town of Mold.

Derek has been called in by Manchester City, whose regular goalkeeper, Bert Trautmann, is kept out by a thumb injury. Derek faces a big task, for Manchester's opponents are Blackpool, with a forward line which includes four internationals.

Altogether this has been a great week for Derek Williams, for on Monday he heard he had been selected to play for Wales in the Amateur International against England at Bangor on Feb. 16.

Swindon and Portsmouth, both of whom are still in the F.A. Cup, will be at full strength for their games against Walsall and Aston Villa, respectively.

Japanese Girl Loses At Bombay

Bombay, Feb. 8.

Tomie Nishimura of Japan was beaten in the singles quarter-finals in the World Table Tennis Championships by Gizi Farkas of Hungary, 19-21, 21-14, 21-16 and 21-18.

She was 100 inexperienced and erratic against the former world champion, and often netted in trying to finish a point quickly.

But in doubles, the Japanese pair of Norikazu Fujii and Tadaaki Hayashi beat England's Harry Venner and India's Dillip Sampat, 21-10, 21-15, and 21-11, to enter the third round.

The Americans, Doug Cartland and Martin Reisman, also entered the third round, ousting Vietnam's Tran Canh Duc and Nguyen L. Hop, 24-22, 16-21, 21-17 and 21-15.

Nishimura and Shizuka Nahan entered the doubles semi-finals beating Rumania's Angeline Roseanu and Sari Szasz, 17-21, 19-21, 21-17 and 21-10.

The Japanese girls lost the first two games but then overcame their opposition with some hurricane hitting. They will now meet Scotland's Helen Elliott and Austria's Linda West in the semi-final on Saturday.—Associated Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Remember, officer, there are two sides to every story—did that car have to be parked exactly where I'd scrape it?"

Truman Remarks Cause Flurry

Washington, Feb. 8.

Informed sources said that President Truman's off-the-cuff remark that he had never been very fond of the Franco Government in Spain may chill American-Spanish relations at a critical moment.

The extent of the damage, if any, will be determined by Generalissimo Francisco Franco's reaction.

State and Defense Department officials met all inquiries with a stony silence. This seemed to reflect some apprehension that a lot of work may have to be started again—perhaps with apologies.

The two countries are about to open negotiations on the United States request for air and naval bases in Spain and on economic and military aid.

President Truman's impromptu observation differed considerably in tone from the formal statement he made a year ago in accepting the diplomatic credentials of the Spanish Ambassador, Jose Felix de Lequerica.

The President said then that he was certain that the new envoy "will find every disposition on the part of the officials of the United States Government to co-operate with you in maintaining and developing mutually beneficial and friendly relations between our two countries."

In 1951 an exchange of ambassadors between the two countries marked the end of the diplomatic impasse that grew out of the 1946 United Nations resolution which recommended the withdrawal of top envoys from Madrid.

Once frosty relations between Washington and Madrid have been warming up steadily, for more than a year under the impetus of mutual defence considerations.

The National Security Council last summer pressed for the use of air and naval bases in the strategic Iberian Peninsula.

Congress followed this up by voting \$100,000,000 for Spain to support a previous \$82,500 million aid programme.

Admiral Forrest Sherman was selected to make the first approach to Spain, but he died during his July mission.

A seven-man United States mission, headed by Major-General James Spry, went again in August and reported back in November on air and naval base prospects.

The report is under study at present as a basis for negotiations with Spain to conclude a defence agreement.

State, Defense and Mutual Security officials are also preparing for separate talks with Spain on doing out a \$100,000,000 military and economic aid fund to Spain.

Informed quarters fear that the two sets of negotiations will be made more difficult, if they are not stopped entirely, by the President's statement.

The answer now is up to Generalissimo Francisco Franco.—United Press.

400 Arrests Made In Tunisia Drive

Tunis, Feb. 8.

At the end of the third day of the "mopping up" operations conducted south of Tunis in the Sahel region, approximately 400 persons had been arrested.

One hundred will remain under arrest and their cases referred to military courts on charges of possession of arms or ammunition. One hundred and fifty others will be deported from the cities where they reside and the remainder will probably be released following identification checks.

Altogether, the three-day operation yielded about 100 weapons.

Meanwhile an investigation mission composed of two Tunisian Ministers left here for the Cap Bon region where excesses allegedly took place during the police and Army clearing-up operation a few days ago.

The two Tunisian officials are Minister of State Water and Minister of Public Health Ben Salem.—France Press.

Living Language

Why we say Aw, shucks!

This American exclamation means either "Nonsense!" or "who cares?" and in either case expresses contempt for something worthless. It is a good example of an omnibus word, that is, one made up of two or more words pushed together, for it includes both "a hell's" and "hucks", these being the chaff or worthless part of corn.

Mail Notices

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Japan, 5 p.m., via C.O.A.C.
India-China, France, French North & West Africa, 5 p.m., Air France.
By Surface
Macao, 12.30 p.m.; 5 p.m., via Tak Shing/Faichuan.
China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m.
5 p.m., train via Canton.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Formosa, 5 p.m., via H.K. Airways.
Siam, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m., C.P.A.
By Surface
Macao, 1 p.m., via Tai Loy.
Philippines, Noon, via Pres. Van Buren.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Japan, 5 p.m., via B.O.A.C.
Formosa, 5 p.m., via C.O.A.C.
N.W.A.C.
Philippines, N. Borneo, 5 p.m., C.P.A.
India-China, (Tonkin only), 5 p.m., C.P.A.

Formosa, Japan, 1 p.m., C.A.T.
Macao, 12.30 p.m.; 5 p.m., via Tak Shing/Faichuan.
China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m.
train via Canton.
Japan, 10 a.m., via Tamsen.
Canada, 9 a.m., via Elizabeth Bakke.
India-China, 2 p.m., via Elizabeth.

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THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice To Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, the 6th day of March 1952, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the Reports of the Directors and the Profit and Loss Account and the Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December 1951, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register of Transfers of the Company will be closed from Monday, the 25th of February to Thursday, the 6th of March 1952, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & COMPANY, LIMITED.
Agents.

Hongkong 8th Feb, 1952.

NOTICE

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Dr. D. ENGEL, M. D. (Budapest), F.R.C.S. (Edinb.) to 1, Salisbury Road, Kowloon. (Opposite Star Ferry) Telephone: 50245. Hours: 10-11 and 3-5. Residence: 27912

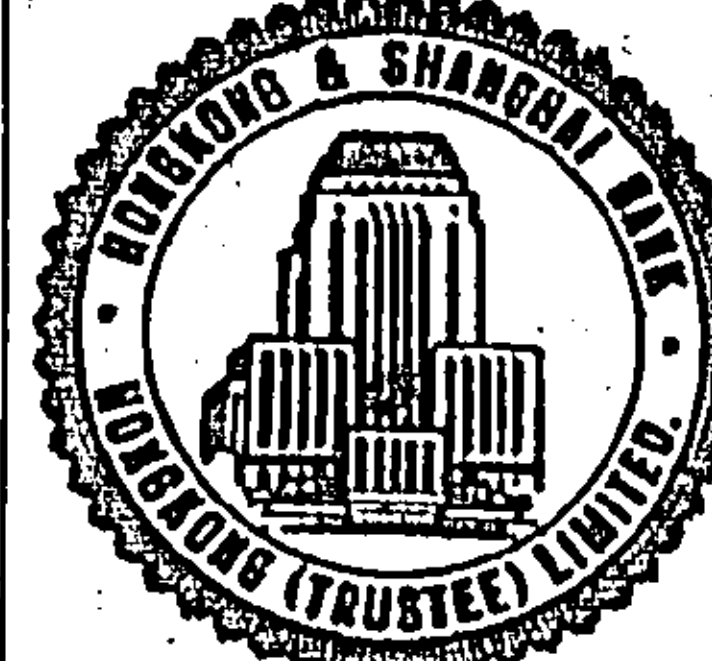
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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK HONGKONG (TRUSTEE) LIMITED

The Trustee Company of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Hongkong.

NOTICE

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-third Ordinary Yearly Meeting of this Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, 9th February 1952 at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1951 and elect Directors and appoint Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from Saturday 2nd February to Saturday 9th February 1952 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 21st Jan., 1952.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep

on the

Pearce Memorial Cup

Saturday, 16th Feb., 1952.

Tickets in the above at \$2.00 each may be obtained at the Treasurers' Comptroller Office, 1st Floor, Telephone House, and at the Club's Branch Offices situated at:—

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H. MISA, Secretary.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOWNSEND-KING. The engagement is announced between Lieutenant Clifford Owen Townsend, R.N., son of Mr. & Mrs. G. Townsend of London S.E. 16 and Miss Betty Joan King, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. J. M. King of 22, Mrs. R. Lucas of Hove, Surrey.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The Diocesan Boys' School and Diocesan Girls' School Drama and Choral Societies announce the Postponement of the Pirates of Penzance on Feb. 8, 9, 11 & 12th. This will be performed instead on Feb. 22, 23, 25 & 26 at 8.30 p.m. Tickets already purchased may be used for corresponding dates.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children has been postponed until further notice.

NOTICE

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REDUCTION OF CHARGES FOR CURRENT

Charges for current will be reduced for all motors read on and after 1st April, 1952:—

LIGHTING	From	To
Monthly Account		
1 to 159 units	30 cents	20 cents
100 " 625 "	28.5 "	27.5 "
625 " 1,000 "	27 "	26.1 "
1,000 " 1,500 "	25.5 "	24.5 "
1,500 " 2,000 "	24 "	23.2 "
2,000 " 2,500 "	22.5 "	21.75 "
2,500 " 3,000 "	21 "	20.3 "
3,000 " 3,500 "	19.5 "	18.85 "
3,500 " 4,000 "	18 "	17.4 "
4,000 " 4,500 "	16.5 "	15.95 "
Over 4,500 "		

For The Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.

Gibb, Livingston & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hong Kong, 8th February, 1952.